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Swan Lake residents gather to voice water quality concerns

By Gari Voss

Concerned residents around Swan Lake gathered on Monday, February 17, 2025, to examine taking the next steps in improving the water quality of their lake. Over the years, blue-green algae had increased, especially during hot weather. Algae exist in all bodies of water, but the conditions were turning the algae toxic plus e-coli was detected in different locations.

In the summer of 2023, the Allegan Health Department became involved and through a grant, did constant monitoring of the algae and e-coli. Specific areas were identified, and weekly reports were produced. The reports were sent to all those interested and demonstrated the amount of toxins, if any. Numerous conversations began with the Cheshire Township trustees and supervisor to determine what could be done.

In the beginning, there was a bit of panic, but residents soon learned that the lake could be used for recreation and fishing. They just needed to follow the reminders: 1. Avoid areas with oily, scummy water that look like spilled paint or pea soup or has green scum. 2. Do not swallow this water, but if it touches the skin, wash it off as soon as possible. 3. Keep pets away from the scummy water because they are the most susceptible to becoming ill. 4. Do not eat fish organs if

caught in areas where blue-green algae are present.

Bottom line, no person was known to have died from blue-green algae, but they had become ill if ingesting it. Always, people and pets must shower immediately after being in areas that may have the algae. Report suspicious-looking algae to EGLE and/or the county health department.

Because the blooms seemed to increase from summer to summer, the question really became, “Why?” That led from more intense testing by the health department to working with the Allegan Conservation District and involving Dr. Jennifer Jones, a lake restoration specialist.

Through the spring, summer and fall of 2024, two projects were undertaken. A grant was obtained that would enable the Allegan Conservation District to do a study of the Swan Lake Watershed. This watershed included a large swath of acreage in southern Allegan County and a bit of northern Van Buren County. Duck Lake, Eagle Lake and Swan Lake and the tributaries and drain systems that feed the lakes, along with agricultural areas determine the demographics of the area. Strategic locations were identified at which samples were taken on a regular basis in different weather conditions.

Simultaneously, money was collected from residents around Swan Lake



Residents around Swan Lake are working to improve the quality of their lake water through careful examination of not only the lake but the watershed that feeds the Swan Lake system. They are now working with the Cheshire Township board to use the findings to make some long-term changes.

for Dr. Jones to begin her study of the lake to determine where nutrients and conditions were found that encouraged the growth of algae and other unwanted elements.

In the fall of 2024, the first findings were shared with interested residents of the three lakes. Again, in January of 2025, Brian Talsma of the Allegan Conservation District invited the group to reassemble and review updated information.

During this time, the Cheshire Township board under the guidance of Supervisor Steve Revor was deciding how the township might assist. Duck and Eagle Lakes both had lake associations. Through the work of the associations,

special assessment districts (SADs) had been set to address the weed control on their lakes. The SAD amount was included with the tax rolls so all property owners around the lake would share in the cost of maintaining the lake quality.

Swan Lake’s research turned attention beyond weed control which some residents were already doing privately. A SAD must reduce nutrients that encourage the growth of blue-green algae. During the meeting on Feb. 17th, those in attendance in person and through Zoom were able to take a closer look at what a SAD for Swan Lake should include.

The list looked like this:

- \$25,000/yr. - Township

costs plus Restorative Lake Science oversight and reporting.

- \$19,000/yr. 1; \$15,500 yrs. 2&3 – Systemic herbicide spot treatment for invasive plants.

- \$10,000/yr. – MiCorp testing fees & equipment and contingency fee beginning the summer of 2026.

- \$10,000 - TimberChar Biochar drain filters for 3 years.

- NOTE: \$55,000/yr – IF implemented, a Hyperlimnetic Oxygenation (ProO2) system for oxygen.

The Cheshire Township board and supervisor were willing to move forward on developing the SAD, but a decision would still be needed as to how to charge the property owners. According to PA 188, the

township could begin the SAD process, but would the SAD be charged per parcel unit or land mass? Would the SAD include the whole watershed or just people around the lake? Would the SAD need a grant writer and someone to monitor those funds?

What was decided on Feb. 17th was the timeline and that those in attendance would need to meet with their neighbors around the lake to review what a SAD is, and what it can accomplish for the lake and the property owners around it.

February 2025: The Township will get back with their lawyers to draft the Swan Lake SAD.

March 2025: The Township will share the draft of the SAD proposal at a meeting.

April 2025: The Township will announce and publish the exact dates of two Public Meetings to review the SAD.

Mid-May 2025: The 1st Public Meeting will be held.

End of June 2025: The 2nd Public Meeting will be held.

Oct./Nov. 2025: Adjustments to the SAD can be made at the public’s request.

Dec. 2025: New tax bills will be sent that include the new SAD fee if approved.

The process takes time, but those in attendance are interested in making Swan Lake a healthy body of water where property owners can enjoy recreational activities.

Calkins Bridge Dam still in limbo

By Gari Voss

Conversations and possible fate regarding Consumers Energy’s 13 hydroelectric dams that are spread across Michigan continue. Community meetings began during 2022 when community members came together several times to examine the condition of the dams and alternatives for the future.

The relicensing process is neither simple nor inexpensive. Questions arose whether to replace the aging plants, remove the plants completely, or transfer ownership to another entity.

To ensure that a plant is safe, Consumers had to conduct a thorough examination that included the plant plus the fate of people living upstream and downstream of the facility. In the end, the feasibility and cost of operating a plant had to meet state and federal regulations.

But any decision required going into each community to review the situation, the condition of the dam and hydro plant, the cost of operation and

upgrades, and alternatives for the future. The conversations had to include the impact on the community beyond the dam. In the case of Calkins Bridge Dam, the conversation included property owners around Lake Allegan, the Allegan Game Forest, and the City of Allegan.

Consumers held multiple meetings with the Allegan Lake community and with leaders in the Allegan area.

One of the final presentations demonstrated the expenses to prepare the Calkins Dam for renewal.

Because the license of the dam does not expire before 2034, a quick decision did not seem necessary, but for those currently owning property and living on Lake Allegan, time is ticking too quickly. The lake provides recreation for motorized and nonmotorized “vehicles”. Some hunters and fishermen want to save the dam while other conservationists want to bring the river back to its original banks.

The question becomes whether, or not, the dam produces enough electricity to match the millions of dollars expected to restore



The fate of Calkins Bridge Dam across the Kalamazoo River is still in limbo. A final decision is not expected until 2026.

it to a level for the licensing bureau.

Though communities had been told that Consumers would make a decision by March 2025, Brian Wheeler, a spokesperson for Consumers, recently explained that the decision would probably not happen this year.

There was an RFP (Request for Proposals) published in February 2024. Fifty parties voiced interest and a number

submitted viable proposals. Wheeler stressed that vetting each prospective buyer takes time, especially when considering the safety of each plan.

In September 2024, Media Specialist Trisha Bloembergen stressed that during the vetting process, Consumers has been hoping for one buyer that would take ownership of all 13 dams.

“Our RFP was structured to solicit marketing inter-

est in transferring the current licenses for continued operations, while allowing any interested parties to propose other scenarios,” Bloembergen said. “While it is true that we would not have a say in the future of the impoundments if the licenses were transferred, we can anticipate other scenarios that will only be considered if transferring a current license for continued operation is not cost-effective, and other

solutions to maintain the impoundments are unsuccessful.

“Hopefully, the two-stage evaluation and bidding process will be completed by the end of 2025,” added Bloembergen. “As we consider bids and potential buyers, safety records and financial assurance will be our top considerations.”

In September 2024, Consumers Energy was in line to receive over \$770 million in federal funding toward the hydroelectric plants. This grant money along with \$749 million in loans made possible from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers would keep improvement of the dams out of the ratepayers’ pockets. The question that could not be answered by Consumers’ spokesperson was whether, or not, the freezing of funds by the Trump administration took these funding sources off the board.

As time marches on, Consumers is still looking at all possibilities, and Lake Allegan residents can continue enjoying the recreational value of their properties.

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DNR officials suspect bird flu of geese in Allegan

Michigan Department of Natural Resources officials say 77 Canada geese and one mallard at the Fennville Farm Unit at the Allegan State Game Area in Allegan County are among more than 300 wild birds that have died in the state,

the victims of bird flu. Even though the deadly virus is causing the most concern in the agricultural world, where bird

flu has ripped through poultry flocks by the millions since the current outbreak took off, DNR officials say the virus is “widespread” in wild flocks.

DNR scientists say serious impacts to overall duck, goose or swan populations aren’t expected in Michigan, but the bird flu has killed “numerous” bald eagle and colony nesting birds like terns and

cormorants. They say it’s too early to determine whether the outbreak will mean a large-scale reduction in the populations, but research is ongoing.

Samples from birds collected in Allegan, Shiawassee, Ingham, and Washtenaw counties were tested at the Michigan State University Veterinary Diagnostics Lab in East Lansing and have been forwarded to

the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s National Veterinary Services Lab in Ames, Iowa for confirmation of bird flu.

The last time the avian flu was so broadly active across the state’s wild populations was 2022, but DNR officials say this latest outbreak is not as severe.

The virus spreads through fecal droppings or nasal discharge of an infected bird,

Clarke, Reed, and Meadows entertain at Griswold



By Gari Voss

Clarke, Reed and Meadows (CRM) delighted the audience at the Griswold Auditorium in Allegan on Sunday, February 16, 2025, with their harmonies and varied arrangements. The group shared covers from the 60s and 70s, international pieces, and their own folk originals.

Before forming CRM, each performer established themselves on other platforms. Ryne Clarke, who lends guitar, vocals and harmonica, has been associated with The Preservers, Alien Dogs, The Soods, and The Ryne Experience, a solo project. David Reed Ophoff, who adds guitar, vocals and mandolin, performed

with the Short Panic and played with the Grand Rapids Community College (GRCC) Jazz Band. Meagan Meadows, a GRCC music graduate, compliments the trio with vocals and violin, and brings a background as a trained vocalist.

CRM was the second edition of the Cabin Fever Reliever 2025 concert series that is a collaboration between the K’zoo Folklife/Allegan Chapter and the City of Allegan. The third concert will be March 2, 2025, 2-4pm with the Great Lakes Brass. The final concert will be on April 13th with Ellis & M.E. Each concert will have beer, wine and other refreshments. Though the concerts are free, contributions are welcome.

\$7.2 million grant sought for washout fix

By John Raffel
Correspondent

ALLEGAN - The Allegan County Road Commission has submitted a detailed, 71-page grant application for \$7.2 million see from a federal road program to replace a section of Lakeshore Drive hit by a series of erosion damages, including a complete washout in 1988. The road commission proposes relocating inland a section of Lakeshore Drive in Saugatuck township from 128th Avenue north to 130th Avenue/ Wiley Road. The total project cost is an estimated \$9 million. A state agency has pledged \$1,000,000 to match the grant award while Saugatuck Township has offered \$250,000.

“Getting this far in addressing the ongoing public safety concern of reaching isolated resi-

dences in a timely manner has been a trudging process,” former county commissioner Jim Story said. “The road agency received assistance from the coastal zone management program in 2022-2023 to help design the relocated roadway section, to be named 69 th Street when completed to fit with the county’s road identification protocol. The federal funding program BUILD: Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development.

“If the grant is approved, there are still many steps ahead including a detailed environmental assessment that could run into late 2026 and must be completed before right-of-way acquisition, engineering and design construction can occur. The latter is envisioned for 2027 and 2028, which would be the 40th

anniversary of the wash-out if the funding from the feds comes through. In late December, the Congress approved more than \$1 billion to replace the Baltimore Harbor bridge felled by an errant container ship last year.”

According to published reports quoting the Mayland Transportation Authority, planning and designing the bridge replacement will cost \$75 million.

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Allegan County Agricultural Society opens scholarship application

By Gari Voss

The Allegan County Agricultural Society, that hosts the Allegan County Fair, provides scholarships to students wishing to pursue a post-secondary education.

“This scholarship requires that applicants have participated in exhibiting at the Allegan County Fair for three out of four years the student is in high school,” explained the organizers.

When interested students go to <https://loom.ly/fSCLSCI>, the scholarship fund application guides students through the process. All applications and supporting documents must be submitted to the Allegan County Fair Board by April 1, 2025, to be considered for the 2025 scholarship.

The Allegan County Agricultural Society is a 501(c)(5) that was organized by Elisha Ely in 1852 to host the Allegan County Fair that was originally held at the

County Court House/Baptist Church. The Fair grew and relocated.

Currently, the fair-ground resides in the city of Allegan on 115 acres of land along the Kalamazoo River, and has a 12,000 seat capacity grandstand, a racetrack, Rumery Show Arena, an Expo Center, animal barns, plus other exhibition buildings including the John Pahl Historical Village affiliated with the Allegan County Historical Society.

In addition to hosting the Allegan County Fair that begins each year on the Friday following Labor Day, the Agricultural Society hosts numerous events such as the Michigan Fiber Festival and the summer antique fairs.

Through the Agricultural Society’s management comes the offering of the scholarships to young people who have contributed to the success of the Fair by preparing and showing their entries during their high school years.

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21014-20	Ruger	Mod Security-six revolver	.357	150-87997	11572-15	Hi-Point	Mod C9 pistol	9mm	P1885974
21014-20	Marlin	Mod 60 rifle	.22lr	14408542	20887-17	Taurus	Mod PT111 pistol	9mm	TK043814
21014-20	Remington	Mod 870 Express	12ga	B572031M	6523-17	H&R	Mod 949 revolver	.22lr	AN111535
21014-20	CVA	Mod Optima rifle	.50 cal	none	18-17	S&W	Mod M&P 9 Shield	9mm	HMX1062
21014-20	Winchester	Mod 94 AE rifle	30-30	5289209	4860-14	Taurus	Mod PT24/7 G2 pistol	.40	SER30059
976-14	Dan Wesson	Mod .357 revolver	.357	129266	7995-10	AMT	Mod 1911 Hardballer pistol	.45acp	A21224
18093-15	Glock	Mod G22 pistol	.40	VNA124	13764-17	S&W	Mod M&P Bodyguard 380 pistol	.380	KEF2326
12166-09	Stevens	Mod 94 shotgun	20ga	P213544	1684-13	RG	Mod RG 23 revolver	.22lr	T606714
2224-13	CAI	Romanian AK rifle	7.62x39	S-BC2729	5892-18	S&W	Mod 442 revolver	.38	CMN3696
973-11	Mossberg	Mod pump shotgun	12ga	R301324	16163-12	Taurus	Mod PT-22 pistol	.22lr	Y149215
2727-14	Ithaca	Mod 37 shotgun	12ga	356359	18066-17	Glock	Mod G23 pistol	.40cal	PXF005
2947-13	CVA	Mod Wolf Muzzleloader	50cal	61-13-050850-07	12277-16	Ruger	Mod 22 Charger pistol	.22lr	490-71648
7995-10	Mossberg	Mod Pump shotgun	12ga	R854863	13669-12	Remington	Mod R15VTR rifle	.223	RA034292
7995-10	Marlin	Mod 882 rifle	.22wmr	06488396	13669-12	Browning	Mod A-bolt rifle	.300win	41254N2717
138-11	Remington	Mod 597 rifle	.22lr	A2747511	13669-12	Ruger	Mod LCR revolver	.22lr	548-14264
16900-10	Remington	Mod 572 rifle	.22lr	none(old)	12039-12	Mossberg	Mod 500 Slugster shotgun	12ga	L050916
16900-10	Remington	Mod 11-48 shotgun	20ga	82591	16056-19	Remington	Mod 870 Magnum shotgun	12ga	WG10091M
3410-12	Mossberg	Mod Slugster shotgun	12ga	J717355	13669-12	Mossberg	Mod 930 Shotgun	12ga	AF018142
8578-17	Beretta	Mod 1934 pistol	9mm	626992	14475-11	Stevens	Mod single shot shotgun	12ga	none
18938-23	Bersa	Mod Thunder380 pistol	.380	800205	13669-12	Mossberg	Mod 500 shotgun	20ga	R751168
12593-13	Fabrinor Victoria	Mod Firestorm pistol	.45	71-04-08224-02	16588-16	Mossberg	Mod 500 shotgun	12ga	G530471
12593-13	Sundance Industries	Mod A-25 pistol	.25	062808	10459-16	New England	Mod Pardner shotgun	12ga	HW505234
18539-15	Ruger	Mod Super Blackhawk revolver	.44mag	85-47317	13669-12	H&R	Mod Ultraslug shotgun	20ga	CAC296366
8057-15	Ruger	Mod Mini-14 rifle	.223	185-60702	14394-12	UA	Mod Target revolver	.22lr	N21881
7995-10	Remington	Mod 870 Express shotgun	12ga	B978635M	13669-12	Remington	Mod 700 ML rifle	.50cal	ML104817
16417-10	Marlin	Mod 3365C rifle	35rem	H5171	13669-12	New England	Mod Pardner shotgun	20ga	NR241125
14532-15	S&W	Mod M&P 9 pistol	9mm	HKK0099	327-13	Savage	Mod 11D rifle	30-06	F227865
10231-15	Glock	Mod G19 pistol	9mm	MNP619	15833-13	Mossberg	Mod 835 shotgun	12ga	UM51143
5804-16	Ruger	Mod LCRs pistol	9mm	328-70876	13167-13	Mossberg	Mod 835 shotgun	12ga	UM124528
8461-16	Hi-Point	Mod C9 pistol	9mm	P1869135	20578-20	Mossberg	Mod 500A shotgun	12ga	R043927
16976-11	Savage	Mod 110 rifle	30-06	B600501	6359-11	Marlin	Mod 60 Rifle	.22lr	17351854
18901-17	Knight	Mod Blackpowder rifle	.50cal	413881					
5875-14	Mossberg	Mod 835 shotgun	12ga	UM161265					

Henika Library bursting at the seams with activities

By Cindy Sasser

While perusing the Allegan County Facebook groups for winter activity opportunities, I’ve come across quite a few posts for events being hosted at the Henika District Library, located at 149 South Main Street in Wayland, Michigan. I found a multitude of different events such as a Bingo Brunch, Drop-in Tech Help every other Friday, Preschool Playtime and Storytime, a Stitching Circle, and even a Small Space Gardening event in March as they offer a seed library for gardening enthusiasts. If, like me, you weren’t quite sure what a seed library is, this is what their Services section explained: “A

Seed Library is a section in your local library that provides free seeds for the community! They enable community members to grow their own food, dabble in a new gardening hobby, or even spread indigenous wildflowers in the local environment without the initial cost of purchasing seeds.” These are only a handful of many great offerings that you can find on their Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/HenikaDistrictLibrary and on their website. While delving in on their website and other sources, I found it to have quite an interesting history as well. It was founded in 1899 when Julia Henika left \$2,000 to establish a ladies’ library in Wayland.



Photo Credit: Wingerham52

Her generosity laid the foundation for what would become the Henika District Library. The original structure, designed in the Richardsonian Romanesque architectural style, is a notable feature

within the Wayland Downtown Historic District. This architectural choice not only adds aesthetic value but also signifies the importance placed on public institutions during that era. The building stands as a prominent landmark within the historic district. Supporting the library’s mission is the “Friends of Henika Library,” a dedicated group of volunteers committed to enhancing the library’s services. Through

fundraising activities, book sales, and volunteer efforts, they provide invaluable support, ensuring the library continues to thrive and serve the community effectively. Today, the Henika District Library serves as a vibrant community hub, offering a wide array of services and resources to residents of Wayland City and Wayland Township. One of the things to appreciate about Henika Library is how it has evolved to meet the needs of modern readers while still maintaining its historical charm. As a member of the Lakeland Library Cooperative, it provides access to an impressive collection of books, digital resources, and multimedia materials. This collaboration enhances the library’s offerings, ensuring that users have a diverse range of materials at their disposal. One I must mention is their “Special Collection”

which are items that can be checked out for a week at a time. They have a CPR & First Aid Anywhere Training Kit, Chromebooks, a circular saw, a cordless drill, many other power tools, a sewing machine, a GoPro, a PlayStation, and this impressive list just goes on! You’ll find this under the “Catalog” tab on their website. You’ll find a plethora of wonderful resources under “Events, Catalog, Services, and eResources” on their website: www.henikalibrary.org/. Its rich architectural heritage, along with a commitment to providing diverse resources and programs, ensures that the library remains an integral part of the community’s cultural and educational landscape. Whether you’re a resident of Wayland or just passing through, I highly recommend stepping inside and seeing for yourself what makes this library so special.

Addyson Brown Signs with UC Davis Equestrian Team

Addyson Brown of Fennville has officially signed her National Letter of Intent to join the UC Davis Equestrian Team, marking a significant milestone in her equestrian career. Brown, a standout rider known for her dedication and competitive spirit, has achieved remarkable success in the equestrian arena. Her strong performances and commitment to excellence have earned her a place on the UC Davis team, where she will continue to develop her skills at the collegiate level. Brown’s journey to UC Davis has been marked by years of hard work, discipline, and passion for the sport. She has competed at the highest levels in both high school and quarter horse circuits. As the lone member of the Fennville High School Equestrian Team she is a two time District Champion (2023 & 2024). In 2023, she was the Regional Reserve Champion (2nd Place) and placed 3rd at State. The 2024 season brought her a second District title, a 3rd place finish at Regionals, and Reserve Champion at State.



Addyson also competes on the Quarter Horse Circuit under the guidance of trainer Morgan Lantz Korman. After a close district loss in the fall of 2022, she committed to elevating her training and set a goal to ride at the collegiate level. Her dedication has led to impressive achievements, including being a two-time Champion at the Level 1 East Quarter Horse Show, earning multiple Top 15 finishes and four Top 5 placements. She also

secured a Top 10 placing at the Quarter Horse Youth World Show and became a three-time Class Finalist at the All American Quarter Horse Congress Show. Additionally, Addyson was named the Year-End Reserve Champion for the Michigan Quarter Horse Rookie Youth Division, accumulating enough points throughout the year at Michigan Quarter Horse shows to rank second among all youth riders.

Fennville’s Snowcoming Queen & King Crowned



Seniors Dasaly Herre-ra and Daymien Logsdon were crowned Snowcoming Queen and King at Fennville High School, on Fri., Feb. 14, 2025. Though the Falcons fell to the Allegan Tigers, the spirit was high during the halftime celebration and the after game Snowcoming Dance. Photo: J. Leonard

Hydropower staging a global comeback?

By John Raffel
Correspondent

ALLEGAN – As companies and governmental bureaucracies in the U.S. back away from the predictable, reliable hydroelectric dams’ production, other countries are looking to the first green energy source, hydroelectric generation, to come into line with atmospheric climate concerns. Last week the Norwegian parliament voted to remove protections from four hundred rivers that were previously off-limits to hydroelectric development. Norway’s electric supply is dominated by hydro production.

According to published reports, 96 percent of the country’s electric supply is sourced from hydroelectric generating stations, making it some of the most inexpensive power in Europe. Elsewhere, Brazil has authorized the export of hydroelectric produced megawatts to other South American nations as reservoirs fill up and Brazil experiences a power surplus. As previously reported, China is mulling the construction of what would be the largest hydroelectric dam in the world near its border with India. “Michigan has many hydroelectric dams, thirteen of which are lower peninsula facilities owned

by Consumers Energy including the Calkins Street unit in Allegan County. As the utility’s licenses on the rivers begin to expire, the company is pursuing an exit strategy due to increased maintenance costs and regulations decreasing waterflow through the turbines that generate electricity,” former county commissioner Jim Storey said. “Many of the desires to move backward from hydro are rooted in sympathy for fish populations, rather than people who depend on electricity for daily life needs or those who live around the impoundments created by the dams.”

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Community Calendar - Week of Feb. 17, 2025

EVENTS TO WATCH FOR!

February: Peanut Butter Drive, ends Feb. 28th
Deliver jars of peanut butter or money to ACCF Office in the old City Hall on Locust Allegan <https://alleganfoundation.org/allegan-county-food-pantry-collaborative/peanut-butter-drive/>
Wed., Feb. 19, 2025, 2:30pm: Friends on Wednesday – Cold Cases
1st Presbyterian Church 200 Cutler St. Allegan
Fri., Feb. 21, 2025, 8-10am: Coffee with Councilmembers
Mugshots Coffeehouse Water St. Allegan

CURRENT EVENTS

Wed., Feb. 19, 2025, 1pm: Play-Doh Play Lab
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
Ages 0-7 can drop in and create with Play-Doh.

Wed., Feb. 19, 2025, 2:30pm: Friends on Wednesday – Cold Cases
1st Presbyterian Church 200 Cutler St. Allegan
Learn how cold cases get solved with Dr. Ashlyn Kuersten of WMU Cold Case Program.

Wed., Feb. 19, 2025, 5:30pm: Pub Quiz Trivia
Tantrick Brewing Co. 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
Bring a team and your library card and test your knowledge!

Thurs., Feb. 20, 2025: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10:30am: Preschool Storytime w/Help Me Grow. Kids 3-5 years and caregivers can drop in to enjoy books and activities.
3:30pm: Tween STEAM Club. Students in grades 5-8 can join the new STEAM Club. Registration required at 269 673-4625.

6-7pm: Cricut for Beginners. Learn to use the Cricut machines to make a vinyl decal. Registration required at 269 673-4625.

Thurs., Feb. 20, 2025, 4-6pm: Third Thirsty Thursday
Tantrick Brewing Co 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
The Allegan Area Chamber of Commerce and the Allegan Jaycee’s are collaborating to introduce Third Thirsty Thursdays for 2025! This exciting new event is for the movers & shakers in the Allegan area community, who are looking to network and make connections in a relaxed setting,

Thurs., Feb. 20, 2025, 6:30pm: 1st Annual Puzzle Contest
Hungry for Christ 4565 135th Ave. Allegan
Gather a team of 3-4 puzzle enthusiasts and enjoy an evening of fun & snacks. Go to Hungry for Christ Facebook page and use the QR code to register.

Thurs., Feb. 20, 2025, 6:30pm: Music Bingo Thursday
Tantrick Brewing Co 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
Bring a friend and check your memory!

Fri., Feb. 21, 2025, 8-10am: Coffee with Councilmembers
Mugshots Coffeehouse Water St. Allegan
Council Members Hooker and Walker will be available at Mugshots and invite residents to come and talk to share ideas and reflect.

Fri., Feb. 21, 2025, 6pm: Teen Tech Night
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
Students in grades 6-12 can experience virtual reality, explore 3-D printing, and play video games. Registration required at 269 673-4625.

Sat., Feb. 22, 2025, 11am: Jumpstart Your Genealogy
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
All are welcome to drop in and work with Megan Heyl to hunt down and organize family history.

Mon., Feb. 24, 2025: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
1pm: Craft & Snack. Bring you own craft and craft, snack & chat.
6pm: Bingo. Drop in and enjoy lively games of Bingo.

Tues., Feb. 25, 2025: Library Fun

Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10:30am: Lapsit Storytime. 0-2 age children and caregivers can drop in to enjoy stories & activities.

1pm: Friends of the Library Meeting. All are welcome to plan ways to support the library.
4pm: TAB - Tween Advisory Board. Students in grades 5-8 are encouraged to drop in and help plan activities.

Wed., Feb. 26, 2025: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10am: Play Café. Caregivers are welcome to enjoy a cup of coffee while the little ones play.
4-5pm: Live Birds of Prey. Join Outdoor Discovery Center and their birds of prey. Registration required at 269 673-4625.

Wed., Feb. 26, 2025, 2-4pm: Friends on Wednesday - Trivia with Friends
1st Presbyterian Church 200 Allegan
Join the fun and bring friends to create a winning team. Prizes will be awarded. Kim Falcon will be Trivia Master.

Wed., Feb. 26, 2025, 6-8pm: Wine & Canvas
LYNX Golf Course 700 M-89 Otsego
The Grill will be open during this event.

Wed., Feb. 26, 2025, 7pm: Dancing with the Star Staff
Wayland Union Fine Arts Center Wayland
WUS Staff compete to win 1st Place and the Mirror Ball Trophy. Bring dollars to vote for favorite dancer. Tickets at WUFACTICKETS.LUDUS.COM.

Thurs., Feb. 27, 2025: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan

10:30am: Preschool Storytime w/Help Me Grow. Kids 3-5 years and caregivers can drop in to enjoy books and activities.
6-7pm: Historic Sewing Presentation. Drop in and join the Swordsmanship Museum & Academy for a presentation of the history of sewing.

Thurs., Feb. 27, 2025, 6:30pm: Music Bingo Thursday
Tantrick Brewing Co 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
Bring a friend and check your memory!

Fri., Feb. 28, 2025: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10:30am: Sing Song Family Yoga. Drop in and join Deb Weiss-Gelmi as she combines yoga, music & literacy.
1pm: Drop in Lego Club. Students grades 6-12 can drop in and create with Legos.

Fri., Feb 28, 2025: Pawsitive Change Walk-a-Thon
Allegan High School Field House M-40 Allegan
AHS Middle School students will participate in a walk-a-thon to raise \$15,000 for their facility dog. The fundraiser was organized by the Student Council in collaboration with the Be Nice Team, as a unique mission to create a caring atmosphere throughout the middle school. Donations can be made at <https://gofund.me/01a38cef>, or send a check to Allegan Public Schools, 550 5th St., Allegan, MI 49010 with a notation “Pawsitive Change” or “LE White Facility Dog”

Sun., Mar. 2, 2025, 2-4pm: Cabin Fever Reliever 2025 - Great Lakes Brass
Griswold Auditorium 401 Hubbard St. Allegan
K’zoo Folklife/Allegan Chapter & the City of Allegan welcome all to enjoy Great Lakes Brass. Beer, wine and other refreshments will be available. Donations will be accepted at the door.

Tues., Mar. 4, 2025, 10am-3pm: Winter Market



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Wed., Mar. 5, 2025, 6-8pm: Hydrangeas
Brave Art Studios 1873 Lincoln Rd. Allegan
Learn to paint lovely hydrangeas. Register at <https://www.paypal.me/braveartcarr>. For info email. brave.art.carr@gmail.com.

Thurs., Mar. 6, 2025, 1-3pm: Hydrangeas
Brave Art Studios 1873 Lincoln Rd. Allegan
Learn to paint lovely hydrangeas. Register at <https://www.paypal.me/braveartcarr>. For info email. brave.art.carr@gmail.com.

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

ASSISTANCE

Adventist Community Service Center
218 S. Farmer St. Otsego Tues. 10am-4pm; Thurs. 1-5pm
Clothes for the family and household goods are available, layettes for newborns, clothing, diapers, toys, etc. for babies to 6 mo. For emergency needs, call 269 694-4775 or Marlene 269 217-8293. This is supported by the 7th-Day Adventist Church and an ACCF TAG Grant.

Allegan County Community Action - Assistance for daily living
23 Water Street, Allegan, MI 49010, www.communityactionallegan.org, (269) 673-5472
Food, weatherization, early childhood education.

Allegan Homeless Solutions - Helping eliminate barriers to housing.
108 Grant St., Plainwell MI 49080
www.alleganhomelessolutions.org, Email: info@alleganhomelessolutions.org

The Arc of Allegan County - Advocates for people with disabilities
219 Hubbard Street, Allegan 269 673-8841
Mission to advocate for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the community.

Baby Closet – Newborn Clothing and Supplies Diaper Closet – monthly diaper program
Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, 101 N. Walnut Street Allegan
Call 269 673-2254 and leave a message.

Christian Neighbors - Food, Education, Emergency Financial Assistance
282 12th Street Plainwell MI 49080 (269) 685-4166
Monday: Drive-thru only - 10am-12pm and 4pm-6pm.
Tuesday: In person shopping/walk ins - 10am-12pm
Thursday: In person shopping/walk ins - 2pm-5pm
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Community Clothes Closet – Free Clothing and More
Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, 101 N. Walnut Street, Allegan (269) 673-2254
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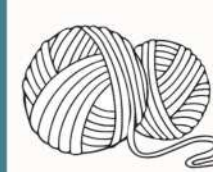
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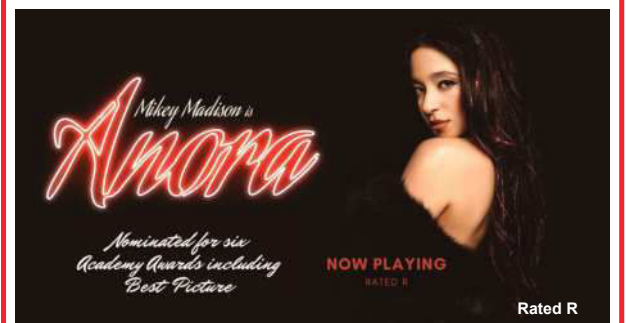


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St. Vincent de Paul-St. Margaret Conference - Food and More

St. Vincent de Paul 124A W. Allegan St. Otsego Mon.: 1-3pm Tues. & Thurs: 10am to noon Wed.: 3-5pm
Food pantry and limited financial aid. Dtvincentedpaul9005@gmail.com
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Sylvia’s Place - Safe from Domestic Violence

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United Church of Wayland - Free Clothing

1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month, 4 - 6pm
411 E Superior St. in Wayland

Wings of Hope Hospice & Palliative Care - End of Life Care

530 Linn Street, Allegan, MI 49010, www.wingsof-hopehospice.com, (269) 686-8659

FOOD

Allegan Food Pantry
Church of God, 1313 Lincoln Rd., Allegan
Monday: 10 am–1pm; Tues.: 2–7pm; Fri. 1-4pm
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Contact: Phone: 269 686-6369
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Christian Neighbors, SE
282 12th St. Plainwell 269 685-4166

Christian Neighbors, Wayland
122 Church St. Wayland 269 792-2870

Congregational Kitchen - Thursday Dinner Pickup
Congregational Church 325 Cutler Street Allegan
Call (269) 673-3139 after 3pm any Thursday and place an order.
Thursdays: Pick up 3 to 5:30 pm. Takeout dinners only during COVID-19

Epiphany Lutheran Church
4219 Park Land Dorr 616 681-0791

Food Truck - 3rd Friday of each month, 4:30 - 5:30pm
United Church of Wayland
411 E Superior St. in Wayland

Hamilton Christian Reformed Church / Love INC
3596 47th St. Hamilton, 269 751-2533

The Hands of Grace Food Pantry
United Methodist Church, 409 Trowbridge St., Allegan 269 673-4236
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Hopkins United Methodist Church
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269 793-7340

Hungry for Christ
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Ladders of Hope USA - Food Assistance
717 East Main St, Fennville, MI 49408, www.ladder-sophopemi.org, (269) 455-9452

Martin Area Resource Center
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Martin United Methodist Church
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Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard Street, lower level Allegan (269) 673-4625

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For more information call 269-430-3961 or check on-line at <https://www.alleganevent.com>

Allegan County Historical Society, Old Jail Museum.

Saturdays, 10 am – 4 pm, (269) 673-8292. Call to confirm hours or arrange for a private tour.
Email: oldjailmuseum06@yahoo.com Webpage: www.alleganoldjail.com

Iron Bridge Quilters - Thursdays, 10am-2pm

Blessed Sacrament Church 110 Cedar St. Allegan
All ages and levels of expertise are welcome. Create a piece for yourself, for a friend or for a charity. Contact Claudia at acrasmussen5@gmail.com or (269) 673-4579 for more information.

Rivertown Fitness for All Ages and Families

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10-11am, Core and More fitness classes for all ages and all levels to improve overall health, strength and well-being will be offered at Rivertown Gym & Fitness, 739 Airway Dr. Allegan. Call Todd at 269 686-7900 or email rivertowngym@gmail.com for additional information.

Scouting: Allegan has a variety of scouting opportunities. Each group is meeting in different ways to stay safe.

Cub Scout Pack 3026: Grades K-5. Call Cub Master Ron Gunter ron.f.gunter@gmail.com
Boy Scouts BSA 91 (boys 11-17 yrs.): Contact Scout Master Rob Keen 269 568-0435, een1112@gmail.com
Girls Troop BSA 191 (girls 11-17): Contact Sara Keen sarajkeen@gmail.com.

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Tuesday, March 4, 2025: 12:00 pm (noon) Organizational Meeting
Monday, March 10, 2025: 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Tuesday, March 11, 2025: 9:00 am – Noon and 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

And on such additional days as required to hear all persons who have given notice of the desire to be heard until assessment rolls have been revised, corrected and approved.

Letter appeals will be accepted in lieu of appearance and must be received no later than 5:00 pm March 10, 2025. Mailing address is 3037 118th Ave. Allegan, MI 49010.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers for 2025 are as follows:		
Agricultural	44.60%	1.1211
Commercial	48.84%	1.0238
Industrial	37.71%	1.3259
Residential	46.33%	1.0792
Personal Property	50.00%	1.0000

Tentative equalization factor of 1.0000 for all classes is expected after completion of Board of Review.

Stephen A. Schulz,
Supervisor Allegan Township
Heather Mitchell, Assessor Allegan Township

TOWNSHIP OF CHESHIRE

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 104th Ave & 41st St, Allegan, MI 49010 to examine and review the 2025 assessment roll. The board will convene on the following dates for the hearing of appeals of assessments or taxable values, poverty exemptions, parcel classification appeals and/or current year qualified agricultural denials:

Tuesday, March 4, 2025: 1:30 pm Organizational Meeting
Tuesday, March 11, 2025: 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Thursday, March 13, 2025: 9:00 am – Noon and 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

And on such additional days as required to hear all persons who have given notice of the desire to be heard until assessment rolls have been revised, corrected and approved.

Letter appeals will be accepted in lieu of appearance and must be received no later than 5:00 pm March 12, 2025. Mailing address is 817 Windigo Ln. Otsego, MI 49078.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers for 2025 are as follows:		
Agricultural	37.16%	1.3455
Commercial	50.42%	1.9917
Industrial	40.40%	1.2376
Residential	44.07%	1.1346
Personal Property	50.00%	1.0000

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Takedown of America ...

Dear Editor

Donald Trump’s re-making America had us confused. The clash of cultures has grown we all feel it, neighbors no longer speak to neighbors, aggressive and violent behavior is increasing. Of course, the President is out front, attacking persons too numerous to name, organizations, whole government departments, our allies, with nasty speech, threats, and silly personal insults, his strong suit. And lies, lots and lots of lies.

In MAGA America we no longer tolerate the concept of fairness. Since when did the concept of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion present an imminent threat to America? That these words must be struck from all government documents? Our belief in democratic rule and free markets shows serious cracks, our adversaries benefit. A Trump edict requires Passports be checked M/F or else! Oh, that’s nice. No, it’s not a joke, MAGA actually believes going back to the 1950s is the way forward. Reversing history is not possible, probably not a good thing.

This isn’t just a little white backlash, it’s full-on racism, gung-ho into

conspiracies, perpetual distortions, and disbelief in experts and science. In a world where we’re suffocating in pollution and roasting under the sun we’re best off with “Drill Baby Drill”, do you think? We’re banning books, and editing the release of government data (our data) on health, economic, demographic issues, etc. It’s democracy in reverse, but we’re told ... “hey, we’re transparent, but you don’t need to see this”.

The Capitol attackers of January 6th must now be regarded as honest, hard-working Patriots, now released onto the streets on a whim, all 1,500 of them were jailed after normal legal processes! If this isn’t a powerful signal that our democracy is in serious collapse mode, nothing is.

Here’s a joke I missed, I assumed MAGA world wanted to take the reins of our democratic government, but clearly, they want to destroy every vestige of it. A handful of anti-democratic billionaires are now running the takedown; the MAGA crowd is likely unaware they’re also a target.

The bizarre election of the serial liar accomplished two things: 1) it kept him, a convicted felon, out of jail, 2) it granted his dream job to “seek retribution” against his enemies, of which there will be a never-ending supply, a necessity with dictators. It’s all or nothing when you’re king.

It’s clear now, Trump’s never had any interest in governing, just being a big-shot (a loud mouth, no-nothing as my Mom, a quiet church going lady would say). Putting au-

tistic Elon Musk and his 20 something whiz-kids in charge of the country’s checkbook was easy, selective service workers are inefficient ... we’re cutting 1,000, 10,000, or 100,000, why not 10 million employees at once? In fact, it’s absolutely lawless, and his “blue blood” party legislators have gone speechless. Laying off managerial employees is brilliant, it ensures total collapse as they’re the ones who know how to cut cost.

Tell the ladies at Emanuel Lutheran, the hundreds of blankets they make each year for Lutheran World Relief, and the folks at Blessed Sacrament whose offerings to Catholic Charities that USAID can no longer distribute their gifts. To the seasonal Parks and Forestry workers in the U.P. that they won’t be needed, the Parks can manage themselves. Even big-bucks Capitalists know there’s financial returns in giving; it’s called soft power. Shutting down USAID shows American weakness, not strength.

I served in the Peace Corps in the 1960s, no relationship with USAID. But is USAID always efficient? No. Has it made America a better neighbor? Yes. It represents less than 1% of our federal budget. Having helped friends in need can be our best bargain.

Thanks to the journalists at Atlantic Magazine and the yet free press for providing inspiration for these comments. Mr. Trump wants to jail them. I pray our Democracy will not go down quietly.

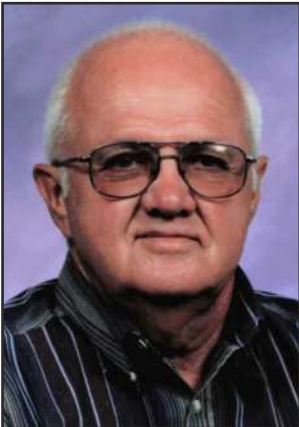
*Jim Kauppi
Allegan*

OBITUARIES

Earl Lee Gillette Jr., 86

Earl Lee Gillette Jr. (86) passed away February 9 at 12:15am. He passed away peacefully with his wife by his side.

Earl was born and raised in Allegan, Mi. He married Patricia Lodge in 1957 and went on to have 3 boys. Earl worked as a machinist at Rockwell International for 30 years. Earl also worked for the Votech center providing transportation for participants in the Work First program and retired here after 10 years. Earl put a smile on so many people’s faces, and he cared deeply for his community. He always had a playful sense of humor. Earl was also a wood maker and built many different things throughout his life. Earl was a godly man and a church elder. He volunteered at the church in many ways, including helping out at the food pantry, mowing the church lawn, dressing up as Santa Claus and even building a life size nativity scene. Fishing was Earl’s favorite pastime. He found much joy and peace in his fishing boat. He fed at least 200+ people at Christ Community Church’s Fish Fries. He was given the nickname “fish whisperer” by his



Earl Lee Gillette Jr.

great grandchildren.

While fishing at Bear Lake in Bloomingdale in the late 60s Earl witnessed a small plane go down in the lake. After hearing yells for help Earl did not hesitate. He quickly turned his boat around from the shoreline to pull a woman from the water. The two on board both survived with Earl’s quick action.

Earl also participated in the Million Man March in the early 2000s. This march supported men in growing their faith and becoming more present, godly fathers and husbands.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Gillette, his three sons, Scott(Sandra) Gillette, Joel Gillette, Kurt

Gillette, his 6 grandchildren Jennifer(Dan) Einfeld, Matthew(Sarah) Gillette, Brooke(Kyle) Hunsberegger, Dustin Gillette, Brittany(Michael) Peters, Kyle Gillette, 17 Great Grandchildren, Aviela Einfeld, Asher Einfeld, Azalea Einfeld, Alliot Einfeld, Abriella Einfeld, Amelia Einfeld, Dyllan Gillette, Lillah Gillette, Lillian Hunsberegger, Amelia Hunsberegger, Matilda Hunsberegger, Elliana Hunsberegger, Hunter Gillette, Colton Gillette, Madison Gillette, Allison Peters, Bradley Peters, his sister, Zea Gillette, brother Steven Gillette and many nephews and nieces.

Preceded in death are his parents Earl and Evelyn Gillette, his brother David Gillette and his grandson Justin Gillette.

Earl’s Memorial Service will start at 11:00 am with an hour visitation beforehand on Friday, February 21, in the Christ Community Church located at 3370 113th Ave, Allegan, MI 49010.

In lieu of flowers the family kindly asks for donations to Centrica Hospice or St. Jukes Children’s Hospital in honor of Earl.

Diane Kathline (Evans) Dietrich, 74

Diane Kathline (Evans) Dietrich passed peacefully in Kalamazoo, Michigan, with family by her side. Diane was born in Allegan, Michigan to her late parents Robert and Marcelle (Ruhele) Evans on July 31, 1950. After high school Diane would work many jobs and eventually become a successful Realtor in Allegan County for many years. She met the love of her life George Diethrich and cherished 54 faithful years of marriage together before



Diane Kathline (Evans) Dietrich

his passing. Diane had an adventures heart and would spend all her time outside of family with

her horses. Horseback riding, running trails, and being in the barn with her animals made everything better. She is missed dearly and leaves behind many fond memories with everyone who knew her.

She is survived by her siblings Gary (Laura) Evans, Kay Floria, and Ellen Bumpus.

She is preceded in death by her parents and husband.

Her ashes will be laid to rest at a later time in Oakwood Cemetery Allegan.



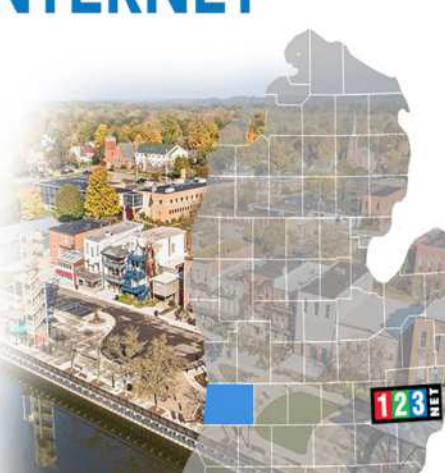
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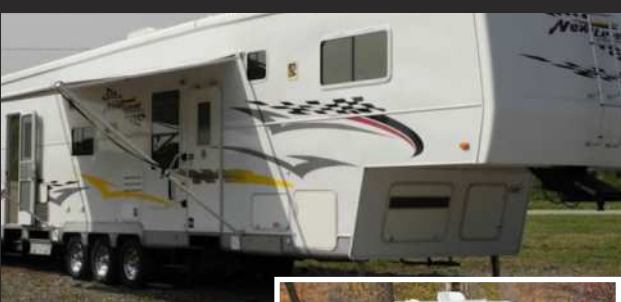
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Hopkins Township

2025 NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 128 S Franklin St, Hopkins, MI 49328 to examine and review the 2025 assessment roll. The board will convene on the following dates for the hearing of appeals of assessments or taxable values, poverty exemptions, parcel classification appeals and/or current year qualified agricultural denials:

Tuesday, March 4, 2025:
1:00pm Organizational Meeting

Monday, March 10, 2025:
2:00pm to 5:00pm & 6:00pm to 9:00pm

Tuesday, March 11, 2025:
9:00am to Noon & 1:00pm to 4:00pm

And on such additional days as required to hear all persons who have given notice of the desire to be heard until assessment rolls have been revised, corrected and approved.

Letter appeals will be accepted in lieu of appearance and must be received no later than 5:00pm March 11, 2025. Mailing address is PO Box 217, Hopkins, MI 49328.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers for 2025 are as follows:		
Agricultural	40.53%	1.23365
Commercial	47.49%	1.05285
Industrial	47.40%	1.05485
Residential	45.80%	1.09170
Developmental	48.20%	1.03734
Personal Property	50.00%	1.00000

Tentative equalization factor of 1.0000 for all classes is expected after completion of Board of Review.

Cade Bolser, Hopkins Township Supervisor
Grey Castello, Hopkins Township Assessor

CITY OF WAYLAND

2025 NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review will meet at the City Hall, 103 S Main St, Waland, MI 49348 to examine and review the 2025 assessment roll. The board will convene on the following dates for the hearing of appeals of assessments or taxable values, poverty exemptions, parcel classification appeals and/or current year qualified agricultural denials:

Tuesday, March 4, 2025:
10:00am Organizational Meeting

Monday, March 10, 2025:
9:00am to Noon & 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Wednesday, March 12, 2025:
2:00pm to 5:00pm & 6:00pm to 9:00pm

And on such additional days as required to hear all persons who have given notice of the desire to be heard until assessment rolls have been revised, corrected and approved.

Letter appeals will be accepted in lieu of appearance and must be received no later than 5:00pm March 11, 2025. Mailing address is 103 S. Main St., Wayland, MI 49348.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers for 2025 are as follows:		
Agricultural	NC	NC
Commercial	50.11%	0.99780
Industrial	41.39%	1.20802
Residential	44.77%	1.11682
Personal Property	50.00%	1.00000

Tentative equalization factor of 1.0000 for all classes is expected after completion of Board of Review.

Erik Wilson, Wayland City Manager
Grey Castello, Wayland City Assessor

LEIGHTON TOWNSHIP

PUBLIC NOTICE

To the Residents and Taxpayers of Leighton Township, Allegan County, Michigan and affected Taxing Units.

NOTICE OF HEARING
TO CONSIDER THE INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES TAX EXEMPTION REQUEST OF
RHINO SEED & LANDSCAPE SUPPLY, LLC

Please take notice that the Township Board of Leighton Township has received a request for Rhino Seed & Landscape Supply, LLC for an Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate on the property located at 1113 Electric Avenue, Wayland, MI 49348, more fully described as Permanent Parcel Number 0313-216-027-00.

Take further notice that the Township Board will meet at the Township Hall, 4451 12th St., Wayland, Michigan on Thursday, March 13, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. for a public hearing on the proposed Tax Exemption Certificate.

Inquiries regarding the above matter may be made by calling the Township Clerk at 616-891-8238

Rachel Fennema
Leighton Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF CLYDE

ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW

The Township of Clyde Board of Review will meet Monday March 10, 2025, from 3:00pm-9:00pm and Tuesday March 11, 2025, 9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm- 4:00pm at the Clyde Township Hall, 1679 56th Street, Fennville Michigan.

Written petitions may also be sent to the Board of Review at 2386 58th Street, Fennville Michigan 49408. Property owners or their representatives must contest at the local board of review if they intend to appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

Ratio of State Equalized Value to True Cash Value: 50%

	Multiplier	Ratio
Agricultural	1.09721	45.57
Commercial	1.00766	49.62
Residential	1.22130	40.94
Development	NC	NC
Personal	1.0000	50.00
Industrial	1.01235	49.39

Tommie L. Giles
Clyde Township Supervisor
269-561-5214

CHESHIRE TOWNSHIP

ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENTS AND SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT APPLICATIONS AT MARCH 10, 2025 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHESHIRE, ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the Cheshire Township Planning Commission will hold public hearings at a meeting on March 10, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cheshire Township Hall located at 471 41st Street, just north of 104th Avenue in Cheshire Township. The items to be considered at these public hearings/meeting include, in brief, the following:

1. The Township-initiated proposed amendment of certain provisions of Section 13.7 Item 14 of the Cheshire Township Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the special land use permit approval standards for a Wireless Communications Support Structure (measurement of “separation” requirements from off-site residential uses, and from designated areas).

2. The application of Fred Low-Chaille Consultants OBA Horvath Towers for special land use permit approval of a proposed Wireless Communications Support Structure with a total height of 199’ on the premises commonly known as 4461 104th Avenue (parcel nos. 03-020-012-00 and 03-020-012-10). The subject property is zoned R-1 Rural Residential District, within which “Wireless Communications Support Structure” is designated as a special land use pursuant to Section 5.3.6 of the Cheshire Township Zoning Ordinance. The Planning Commission will consider this request pursuant to the approval criteria/standards specified in Sections 13.3 and 13.7 (Item 14) of the Zoning Ordinance, including the proposed amendments to parts of those approval criteria addressed in paragraph 1 of this Notice. Any approval of the special land use permit will be subject to approval and adoption by the Township Board of the proposed zoning text amendments. Note: if the special land use permit is approved, conditionally, the Planning Commission may also consider for conditional approval the related site plan pursuant to the criteria for site plan approval specified in Section 14.6 of the Zoning Ordinance.

3. The Township-initiated proposed amendment of the term “recreational vehicle campground” as defined in Section 3.1.61 of the Cheshire Township Zoning Ordinance to the new term “recreational campground” and to allow within that term certain types of camping units such as tents and portable cabins, as well as recreational vehicles. Section 5.3.22 and Section 6.3.9 of the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the designated special land uses in the R-1 Rural Residential District and R-2 Residential District, respectively, are therefore similarly proposed to be amended to change the existing term “recreational vehicle campground” to the proposed new term “recreational campground”.

4. The application of Brandyn Deckinga on behalf of Lagom Properties, LLC for special land use permit approval of a proposed recreational campground on a parcel of approximately 13.4 acres on “Little Eagle

Lake” easterly of 40th Street in the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of land section 34 (parcel no. 03-034-007-00). The subject property is zoned R-1 Rural Residential District, within which “Recreational Vehicle Campground” is designated as a special land use pursuant to Section 5.3.22 of the Cheshire Township Zoning Ordinance. The Planning Commission will consider this request pursuant to the approval criteria/standards specified in Section 13.3 of the Zoning Ordinance, and the proposed amendment of the existing definition for the term “Recreational Vehicle Campground” as addressed in paragraph 3 of this Notice. Any Planning Commission approval of the special land use permit will be subject to approval and adoption by the Township Board of the related proposed zoning text amendments. Note: if the special land use permit is approved, conditionally, the Planning Commission may also consider for conditional approval the related site plan pursuant to the criteria for site plan approval specified in Section 14.6 of the Zoning Ordinance.

5. Such other and further matters as may properly come before the Planning Commission at this public hearing/meeting.

Written comments concerning the above matter(s) may be submitted to the Chairperson of the Cheshire Township Planning Commission, or to the Clerk of Cheshire Township, at any time prior to the public hearing/meeting, and may further be submitted to the Planning Commission at the public hearing/meeting.

The applications for the special land use matters, the Tentative Text of the proposed Zoning Ordinance text amendments, and the existing Cheshire Township Zoning Ordinance/Map/Master Plan, may be examined from and after the publication of this Notice and until and including the day of the public hearing/meeting by contacting the Township Clerk or the Chairperson of the Planning Commission, and may also be examined at the public hearing/meeting.

Cheshire Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the meeting/hearing to individuals with disabilities, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered, upon reasonable notice to the Township. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township Clerk.

Jodi Pinnell, Clerk
Cheshire Township
1061 37th Street
Allegan, MI 49010
(269) 217-4942

Steve Blankenship, Chairperson
Cheshire Township Planning Commission
4785 Baseline Road
Grand Junction, MI 49056
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TOWNSHIP OF TROWBRIDGE

2025 NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 913 S M-40 Hwy, Allegan, MI 49010 to examine and review the 2025 assessment roll. The board will convene on the following dates for the hearing of appeals of assessments or taxable values, poverty exemptions, parcel classification appeals and/or current year qualified agricultural denials:

Tuesday, March 4, 2025: 3:00 pm Organizational Meeting

Monday, March 10, 2025: 9:00 am to Noon and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Tuesday, March 11, 2025: 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

And on such additional days as required to hear all persons who have given notice of the desire to be heard until assessment rolls have been revised, corrected and approved.

Letter appeals will be accepted in lieu of appearance and must be received no later than 5:00 pm March 10, 2025. Mailing address is 913 S M-40 Hwy Allegan, MI 49010.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers for 2025 are as follows:		
Agricultural	38.84%	1.2873
Commercial	49.65%	1.0070
Industrial	43.66%	1.1452
Residential	42.82%	1.1677
Personal Property	50.00%	1.0000

Tentative equalization factor of 1.0000 for all classes is expected after completion of Board of Review.

Jeff Kaylor, Supervisor Trowbridge Township
Heather Mitchell, Assessor Trowbridge Township

Leighton Township

February 6, 2025 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting Synopsis

- 1. Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance - 7:02 p.m.
- 2. Present: Wolbrink, Fennema, Bonnema, Hooker, Bultsma
- 3. Approved minutes from 01/9/25, 2/4/25 & meeting agenda
- 4. Report from Fire Dept, Bldg Inspector, Deputy, ZBA
- 5. No Public Comment
- 6. Approved contracts for lawn care services & dust control for 2025
- 7. Approved Salary Resolutions 2025-02-06-09 for Twp Board
- 8. Set budget public hearing date for 3/13/25 at 6 pm
- 9. Approved listed bills in the amount of \$33,782.39
- 10. No Public Comment
- 11. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

CITY OF FENNVILLE

2025 BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE
Assessor’s Office
City of Fennville
125 S Maple St
Fennville, MI 49408

BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING SCHEDULE
The City of Fennville BOARD OF REVIEW for 2025 will be held at the Fennville City Hall, 125 S Maple St, Fennville, Michigan on the following dates and times:

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: (No appeals will be heard at this meeting)
Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

APPEAL HEARINGS:
Monday, March 10, 2025 from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Closed 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.)
Tuesday, March 11, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Closed Noon - 1 p.m.)

*PLEASE NOTE—Appointments are encouraged for the Board of Review meetings. To schedule an appointment call Kelly Jellison at 269-591-0289 or email kelly@assessingsolutions.com. A resident may protest to the Board of Review by letter. Letter appeals are to be accompanied by a completed Board of Review petition form (form L-4035). All letters of protest must be received by 5:00 p.m., Thursday March 6, 2025.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2025 are as follows:

Agriculture.....	NC.....	NC
Commercial.....	46.87.....	1.06678
Industrial.....	45.81.....	1.09146
Residential.....	44.00.....	1.13636
Personal Property.....	50.00.....	1.0000

Assessor Contact Information
Kelly Jellison
City of Fennville Assessor
Dated: February 6, 2025
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kelly@assessingsolutions.com

DORR TOWNSHIP

NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW HEARINGS

The Board of Review will be meeting in March to review the Assessment Roll and hear appeals. All meetings will be held at the Dorr Township Hall, 4196 18th Street, Dorr, Michigan 49323. The hearings will begin on March 10, 2025. HEARINGS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Please call Dorr Township Office Manager, Vicki Fifelski at 616-681-9874 ext. 105 for available appointments.

If the times available are not convenient, you may appeal by letter. Send letters to Dorr Township, 4196 18th Street, Dorr, MI 49323. All letters must be received by 5:00 p.m. 3-10-2025.

Monday March 10th
9:00 am to 12:00pm 1 pm to 4 pm
Tuesday March 11th
2:00 pm to 5:00 pm 6 pm to 9:00 pm

Assessments have been adjusted to result in anticipated multipliers of 1.0000 for all classes. With “Proposal A” in effect, the Taxable Values, excluding new construction and ownership transfers, are capped at the inflation rate of 5% for the 2025 tax year. Taxes are based on Taxable Value. Also, note that if you should have a Principal Residence Exemption on your property and this is not noted on your notice, you should contact the Assessor.

2025 Starting Ratios are as follows: Factors:			
Ag:	43.48	Ag:	1.1499
Com:	48.55	com:	1.0298
Ind:	47.89	Ind:	1.0440
Res:	45.19	Res:	1.1064

Michael Richmond
Dorr Township Assessor

OVERISEL TOWNSHIP

PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

The Overisel Township Board will hold a public hearing on the Proposed Budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year at the Township Hall on March 11, 2025 following the regular meeting starting at 7:30pm, with a Special Meeting following to approve the budget.

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.

A copy of the budget is available at the township at A-4307 144th Ave. Any one needing auxiliary aids contact the township.

Lori Scholten, Clerk 269-751-7030

GUN PLAIN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

2025 NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 381 8th Street, Plainwell, MI 49080 to examine and review the 2025 assessment roll. The board will convene on the following dates for the hearing of appeals of assessments or taxable values, poverty exemptions, parcel classification appeals and/or current year qualified agricultural denials:

Tuesday, March 4, 2025: 9:00 am Organizational Meeting
Monday, March 10, 2025: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Wednesday, March 12, 2025: 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm

And on such additional days as required to hear all persons who have given notice of the desire to be heard until assessment rolls have been revised, corrected and approved.

Letter appeals will be accepted in lieu of appearance and must be received no later than 5:00 pm March 11, 2025. Mailing address is 381 8th St., Plainwell, MI 49080.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers for 2025 are as follows:		
Agricultural	41.56%	1.2030
Commercial	45.77%	1.0924
Industrial	44.30%	1.1287
Residential	45.08%	1.1091
Personal Property	50.00%	1.0000

Tentative equalization factor of 1.0000 for all classes is expected after completion of Board of Review.

Michael VanDenBerg,
Supervisor Gun Plain Charter Township
Heather Mitchell,
Assessor Gun Plain Charter Township

TOWNSHIP OF SALEM

2025 NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 3003 142nd Ave. Burnips, MI 49314 to examine and review the 2025 assessment roll. The board will convene on the following dates for the hearing of appeals of assessments or taxable values, poverty exemptions, parcel classification appeals and/or current year qualified agricultural denials:

Tuesday, March 4, 2025: 4:30 pm Organizational Meeting
Monday, March 10, 2025: 9:00 am to Noon and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Tuesday, March 11, 2025: 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Wednesday, March 12, 2025: 9:00 am – Noon

And on such additional days as required to hear all persons who have given notice of the desire to be heard until assessment rolls have been revised, corrected and approved.

Letter appeals will be accepted in lieu of appearance and must be received no later than 5:00 pm March 11, 2025. Mailing address is P.O. Box 49 Burnips, MI 49314.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers for 2025 are as follows:		
Agricultural	39.68%	1.2601
Commercial	45.60%	1.0965
Industrial	45.37%	1.1021
Residential	46.01%	1.0867
Personal Property	50.00%	1.0000

Tentative equalization factor of 1.0000 for all classes is expected after completion of Board of Review.

Jim Pitsch, Supervisor Salem Township
Heather Mitchell, Assessor Salem Township

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Allegan (City) operates an Industrial Pretreatment Program as required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. This program is intended to control the discharges from industrial users to the Allegan Wastewater Treatment Plant to prevent plant upset, pass through of pollutants to the Kalamazoo River, contamination of residual solids and for other reasons. In accordance with 40 CFR 403.8 (f) (2) (vii) the City is hereby listing those industrial users which had been in significant noncompliance with the applicable pretreatment requirements during the period of January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. All companies listed are currently in compliance or on a compliance schedule to correct any deficiencies. The publication of these names is to satisfy the requirements of the above referenced regulation:

Perrigo Co.

WAYLAND TOWNSHIP

2025 NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 1060 129th Ave., Shelbyville, MI 49344 to examine and review the 2025 assessment roll. The board will convene on the following dates for the hearing of appeals of assessments or taxable values, poverty exemptions, parcel classification appeals and/or current year qualified agricultural denials:

Tuesday, March 4, 2025: 10:30 am Organizational Meeting
Monday, March 10, 2025: 2:00 pm 5:00pm and 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Tuesday, March 11, 2025: 9:00 am to Noon
Thursday, March 13, 2025: 9:00 am to Noon

And on such additional days as required to hear all persons who have given notice of the desire to be heard until assessment rolls have been revised, corrected and approved.

Letter appeals will be accepted in lieu of appearance and must be received no later than 5:00 pm March 11, 2025. Mailing address is PO Box 1, Bradley, MI 49311.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers for 2025 are as follows:		
Agricultural	42.21%	1.1845
Commercial	44.79%	1.1163
Industrial	48.48%	1.0314
Residential	47.96%	1.0425
Personal Property	50.00%	1.0000

Tentative equalization factor of 1.0000 for all classes is expected after completion of Board of Review.

Roger VanVolkinburg, Supervisor Wayland Twp
Heather Mitchell, Assessor Wayland Township

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NOTICE

Valley Township
2025 Board of Review

The Valley Township Board of Review will be held at the Valley Township Hall, 2054 N. M-40, Allegan, MI 49010, on the following dates:

Tuesday, March 4,
11 AM – Organizational Meeting only
Tuesday, March 11,
9 AM to 12 PM and 1 PM to 4 PM – Appeal Hearing
Friday, March 14,
1 PM to 4 PM and 6 PM to 9 PM – Appeal Hearing

The Board of Review will meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests, and to equalize the 2025 assessments. Letters are accepted as appeal, provided they are received prior to the final appeal hearing. Send letter to the Valley Township Board of Review, 2054 N. M-40, Allegan, MI 49010.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2025 as provided by the Allegan County Equalization Department are as follows:

Agricultural	44.41%	1.12587
Commercial	51.49%	0.97106
Industrial	49.16%	1.00000
Residential	45.93%	1.08861
Personal Property	50.00%	1.00000

State Equalized Value (SEV) represents 50% of the True Cash Value of the property. Taxable Value (TV) is the lower of the SEV or the 2024 TV multiplied by the Inflation Rate Multiplier (1.031). Transfers of ownership in 2024 will cause the cap in taxable value to be removed, making the taxable value equal to the SEV for 2025.

Mike Krcatovich
Valley Township Supervisor

Krista Simmons
Valley Township Assessor



Group protests rounding up of illegal immigrants

By Gari Voss

Residents across Allegan County have watched the news and the many Executive Orders that the current administration wants to enforce across the country. Those edicts are beginning to affect Allegan County, and Allegan, Speak Up (ASU) wanted to express their concerns by having a peaceful gathering and walk at the roundabout in Allegan.

This is not the first time that Allegan, Speak Up has voiced their discontent with situations across the United States. They are noted for standing for Civil Rights and the rights of the gay community.

“It is no secret that ... our president has made us endure an onslaught of threats and attempts to take away our rights as well as propose other inhumane and treasonous actions,” shared Eddie Quinones-Walker, chairperson of ASU. “If you have noticed, there have been several protests against the callous treatment and inappropriate removal of immigrants that have broken out throughout the country as well as throughout West Michigan. Most notably, the LA protests shut down the 101 and the gathering in New York City.”

Those who gathered at the Roundabout at M-89/M-40 and Hubbard St. were concerned about ICE raids that have happened in Grand Rapids, Holland, and Kalamazoo, and the gathering of immigrants that have included children.

“Within our city and more-heavily outside our city limits lives a population of immigrants and their families who live in fear. These are people who came here with the sole purpose of providing their loved ones and families with better lives - an extremely noble quest,” emphasized Quinones-Walker. “Even those with permanent citizenship are afraid to go out in public with a real chance of wrongfully getting caught up in a raid. This fear has been heightened with the news that The Trump Administration is turning Guantanamo Bay into a concentration camp for immigrants.”

As Quinones-Walker set a day and time to show discontent, he was adamant. “We must rise up. We must SPEAK UP!”

Those in attendance wanted to let others know that they do not support this gross misuse of taxpayer funds as well as the deplorable treatment of many good people.

“We must show our neighbors that they are SAFE IN ALLEGAN,” reiterated Quinones-Walker. “We must call on our city to declare safety and sanctuary for all those who need it regardless of their citizenship status.”

The group began to gather at 1pm at the Roundabout then walked across the bridge to the Riverside Market before returning to the roundabout. The group began with about 20 citizens and grew as they returned to Hubbard Street.

Numerous drivers honked and gave thumbs to those who were willing to stand in the cold holding their signs, such as “Immigration, Not Deportation”, “Stop the Raids” and “Immigrants are Welcome Here”.

There were several nationalities represented in the group. Realistically, Allegan County depends on the immigrants who toil in the orchards and fields working

crops, and even work with animals such as dairy cows, pigs and chickens. They earn wages and pay taxes.

“Our aim is to tell immigrants that they are safe to exist within our community, and we want them there while also telling other communities to stand up by example,” said Quinones-Walker. “We also aim to demand that our city take a public stand and declare that they, and our city police will not coordinate efforts with ICE to deport people.”

ASU wants the public to realize that having ICE knocking on school and church doors is not appropriate or lawful. It is not only scary to the immigrant

population, but to the other students who see these law enforcement individuals trying to push themselves into the small communities around Allegan County and beyond.

Allegan, Speak Up gathered on Sat., Feb. 8, 2025, to protest I.C.E. coming into West Michigan to round up “illegal” immigrants. In addition, they wanted to bring to light the edicts to stop DEI from working to promote equity in the workplace and in education.

THE ALLEGAN AREA ESA

is currently accepting sealed bids for the following:
Hillside Learning Center Phase II

The Allegan Area ESA will be accepting sealed bids for Hillside Learning Center Phase II construction. Bid documents will be available electronically on our website at www.alleganaesa.org under Non-Instructional Services. Sealed bids will be received at 6645 East Paris Ave SE, Caledonia, MI 49316, March 11, 2025 @2:00 PM , where they will be opened at that time.

For questions and site visits, bidders and/or interested parties are welcome to contact Mark Jackson, Maintenance Supervisor. All bids must be sealed and labeled “Hillside Learning Center Phase II”

Bids should be sent to the attention of Mark Jackson, Maintenance Supervisor.

Contact Mark Jackson @ 616.366.5312, 269.512.7767 mark.jackson@alleganaesa.org

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT BONDS TO THE RESIDENTS, ELECTORS, AND TAXPAYERS OF THE CITY OF FENNVILLE AND NOTICE OF RIGHT OF REFERENDUM

TAKE NOTICE THAT the City of Fennville, Allegan County, Michigan (the “City”) intends to authorize the issuance, pursuant to the Recodified Tax Increment Financing Act, Act 57, Public Acts of Michigan, 2018, as amended, the Home Rule City Act, Act 279, Public Acts of Michigan, 1909, as amended, and the Revised Municipal Finance Act, Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, of NOT TO EXCEED Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000) City of Fennville Downtown Development Bonds (General Obligation – Limited Tax) (the “Bonds”), to finance the following project(s): acquiring, constructing, and establishing a public park at City Square, located at 116 S. Maple Street, including but not limited to constructing and installing an outdoor amphitheater, splash pad, fireplace, restroom, public art, gathering spaces, landscaping, and other site improvements and structures, as well as all other necessary and related improvements (the “Project”), and to pay the costs of issuing the Bonds. The Bonds may be issued by the City in one or more series, the aggregate principal amount of which will not exceed \$400,000.

The principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable primarily from available tax increment revenues of the Fennville Downtown Development Authority (the “Fennville DDA”) that will be pledged by the Fennville DDA to the City for the repayment of the Bonds. In addition, the City will pledge its limited tax full faith and credit for the repayment of the Bonds. The Bonds will be payable in not more than twenty (20) annual installments at an interest rate that will be determined upon the sale of the Bonds. The total cost of the Project is estimated to be \$966,138, a portion of which cost is to be paid from the proceeds of the Bonds.

SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF THE BONDS

THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTERST ON THE BONDS will be payable primarily from tax increment revenues captured by the Fennville Downtown Development Authority pursuant to its tax increment financing plan. While it is not anticipated that any funds of the City will be required for the payment of the Bonds, the City Commission of the City will pledge the City's full faith and credit for the repayment of the Bonds, in the event that the tax increment revenues pledged for the repayment of the Bonds are insufficient.

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF FUNDING

In addition to the proceeds from the Bonds, the cost of the Project is expected to be paid from (A) a Revitalization and Placemaking (“RAP 2.0 Program”) grant from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (“MEDC”) in the anticipated amount of \$112,500, (B) a Public Spaces, Community Places grant from MEDC in the anticipated amount of \$105,000, (C) an America Rescue Plan Act grant from the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity in the anticipated amount of \$340,000, and (D) Fennville DDA available funds on hand.

ADDITIONAL SECURITY – FULL FAITH AND CREDIT PLEDGE

To provide additional security for the Bonds, the City will pledge, pursuant to the Recodified Tax Increment Financing Act, Act 57, Public Acts of Michigan, 2018, as amended, its limited tax full faith and credit for the repayment of the Bonds. The City will authorize, within its constitutional, statutory, and charter tax rate limitations, to levy such taxes or advance such funds from the general funds of the City as may be necessary to prevent or cure any default in the repayment of the Bonds resulting from an insufficiency of the Fennville DDA's tax increment revenues pledged for the repayment of the Bonds. The full faith, credit, and resources of the City will be pledged for the payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds, subject to applicable constitutional, statutory, and charter tax rate limitations. Although it is not anticipated that the City will ever be required to advance funds, the City would, in the event of an advance, be entitled to be repaid from the next available tax increment revenues of the Fennville DDA that are available after correction of any deficiency or default.

NOTICE OF RIGHT OF REFERENDUM

THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 5(g) of the Home Rule City Act, Act 279, Public Acts of Michigan, 1909, as amended. If within forty-five (45) days from the publication of this NOTICE OF INTENT to issue Bonds a PETITION signed by not less than TEN PERCENT (10%) OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS residing within the limits of the City of Fennville shall have been filed with the City Clerk requesting a REFERENDUM on the question of the issuance of the Bonds, then the same shall not be issued until approved by the vote of the majority of the electors of the City qualified to vote and voting thereon at a general or special election. The current number of registered electors in the City is 1145.

Further information regarding the Project and the Bonds described herein is available at the office of the City Administrator of the City of Fennville, 125 S. Maple Street, Fennville, Michigan 49408 (phone 269-561-8321).

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Notice of Public Hearing

Allegan Township Planning Commission Master Plan Update

Please take notice that the Allegan Township Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Monday, March 10, 2025, at 7:00 PM, at the Allegan Township Hall, 3037 118th Ave., Allegan, MI, 49010 for the purpose of considering a proposed Master Plan update. The public hearing will provide interested parties the opportunity to comment on the 2025 Allegan Township Master Plan, a guide for the use, development, and preservation of land in the Township.

Copies of the proposed Master Plan update are available for public viewing during regular business hours at the Township Hall or on the township website, www.allegantownship.org.

Written comments will be received at the following address until the night of the hearing:
Allegan Township Planning Commission
3037 118th Ave.
Allegan, MI, 49010

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you are planning to attend this hearing and are disabled requiring any special assistance, please notify the Township Clerk by calling 269-673-5051 as soon as possible.



Eight Martin wrestlers qualified for the Division 4 Individual State Finals. (Photo provided)

BY JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

Lane Button won a regional title for Wayland at 150. He'll be joined at Ford Field by teammate Trent Sikkema, who was third at 190.

BY JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

“Our team is confident, excited, and ready to continue the momentum they have used all season,” Beard said. “Nobody saw our team coming this season and we are ready to continue to show everyone what Allegan has become.”



three seasons ago to the team going to the Team State Finals.”



BY JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

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SPORTS EDITOR

Hamilton got pins from Chase Morrison (126), Ray Lopez (165) and Shane Dams (215) to go with tech fall from Bryce Morrison (150) and Tyler Block (175). Jacob Chase earned a major decision at 157 and Malachi Kapenga had a decision at 138.



SPORTS

Late surge lifts Plainwell to victory over Otsego



Alyssa Weldon handles the ball for Plainwell in the closing minutes of the game with Otsego. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)

By JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

OTSEGO—Last month, the Otsego girls basketball team beat archrival Plainwell on the Trojans’ one court. On Friday, Feb. 14, Plainwell returned the favor. Trailing by four points midway through the fourth quarter, the Trojans regrouped to post the 38-34 win over the host Bulldogs. The Trojans led 12-10 at halftime and 23-22 after three quarters. “We’ve had a lot of games like this during the season when we’d have the lead and then we’d lose the lead and not be able to recover,” Plainwell coach Mark Stephenson said. “But tonight, the girls stuck with it and made plays when they needed to make play.” Alyssa Weldon and Anna Overway led the charge for

Plainwell, combing for 11 of the Trojans’ 15 fourth-quarter points. Weldon finished with a game-best 16 points, while Overway was close behind with 15. “Alyssa was very determined tonight,” Stephenson said. “She’s very tough on herself and she hasn’t had the season she’s wanted overall, but she put all of that out of her mind tonight and let her natural instinct take over. She’s special when she does that.” “And Anna was big for us down low, coming up with a lot of rebounds and put-backs.”

Reagen Engbers paced Otsego with nine points, followed by Tessa Prough with eight. Mya Engbers and Audrey Lingbeek added six points each. “We came out and weren’t very intense to start the game,” Otsego coach Tony Koshar said. “We got it going much better in the second half and did some nice things.” “But it just seemed like we lost it there in the fourth quarter. It seemed like we were in control and just didn’t handle the end-of-the-game situation very well.”

Edwards breaks single-game scoring record for Allegan

By JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

Allegan junior boys basketball standout Quentin Edwards, Jr. wrote his name in the record book during the Tigers’ home game against Black River on Tuesday, Feb. 11. Edwards scored 44 points to lead Allegan to the 84-53 win. That point total surpassed the previous single-game school record that was set by Todd Arlington 42 years ago and matched by Caleb Byers in 2010. “Quentin played extremely well, being a three-level scorer and giving max effort defensively to rattle the Black River guards,” Allegan coach DeAndre Thrash said. “That defensive effort was matched by the squad early.” Brandon Thrash added 14 points in the win, followed by Ayden Fusco with eight. Jeremiah Tate and Antonio Taylor each had seven points, with Jesse Smith adding four points.

“There was a great offensive flow to the game for us,” DeAndre Thrash said. “The players were patient and made the right reads.”



Quentin Edwards, Jr., scoring a school-record 44 points in a win over Black River. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)

Allegan girls run winning streak to five

By JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

The winning ways continued for the Allegan girls basketball team when it hosted Bridgman on Monday, Feb. 17. The Tigers used a balanced scoring attack to post the 43-35 win over the Bees, extending their winning streak to five games in the process. “This was a big win for us,” said Allegan coach Sharron Thompson, whose team improved to 11-6. “We enjoyed a better shooting night and got some key stops on the defensive end to get the victory.” Allegan trailed 11-9 after one quarter, but used a 13-5 edge in the second quarter to go up 22-16 at halftime. The Tigers maintained that advantage throughout the second half.

Ellie Bishop scored a team-best 11 points, included four in the second frame. Maddie Antkoviak and Jayden VandenAkker added seven points each, with Bailey Meade and Ellie Ziemelis chipping in with five points apiece. That win came after victories of 29-18 over Fennville on Friday, Feb. 14, and 39-37 over Galesburg-Augusta on Tuesday, Feb. 11. Against Fennville, the Tigers had leads of 6-3 after one quarter, 10-6 at halftime and 16-15 after three quarters, with points being hard to come by. Allegan got some separation in the fourth quarter thanks to a 13-3 scoring run that included all seven of Bishop’s points and four of Antkoviak’s eight points. “The game stayed close most of the way as both teams struggled shooting,

but we came out on top,” Thompson said. Ceeley Howard led Fennville with eight points. In the G-A game, Allegan led 32-28 through three quarters and held off the Rams for the win. “We pulled off the road win in a nail-biter in a game that came down to free throws at the end,” Thompson said. “We kept fighting used our defense to hold them until we got our offense in rhythm.” VandenAkker led the way with 10 points, followed by Meade with nine. Bishop and Antkoviak had six points each, with Alyssa Macherzak going for five.

Martin girls earn pair of victories

By JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

DELTON—With the season getting to its final stages, the Martin girls basketball team are starting to get some momentum. After beating Coloma 40-10 on Tuesday, Feb. 11, the Clippers bested Delton 40-31 on Friday, Feb. 14, to collect their third straight win and improve to 7-10. Martin trailed 19-17 at halftime against Delton, but used a 19-5 surge in the third quarter to take command. “We were able to come away with a hard-fought game,” Martin coach Ben Schipper said. “Delton played tough in their zone, and we had a hard time moving the ball like we wanted in the first half.” “We made some adjustments at halftime, focusing

on attacking the gaps and moving without the ball more and had more success in the third quarter. We also had great pressure defense in the third quarter that led to a couple easy buckets and a huge momentum shift.” Marybeth Ritchie was, according to Schipper, “all over the floor,” leading the Clippers with 12 points and 13 rebounds to go with three steals and three blocks. Kayden Jager had 10 points, while Anna Jager had seven points and seven rebounds. Avery Jager added eight rebounds. The Coloma game was all about defense for Martin, with the Clippers holding the Comets to two or fewer points in three of the four quarters. The fact that Martin only suited up six varsity players and a couple of JV call-ups

due to sickness and injury made the victory even more impressive. “Our defense was elite,” Schipper said. “Offensively, we couldn’t buy a bucket most of the game, but our effort on the offensive glass led to 30 offensive rebounds, giving us plenty of chances to finally put the ball in the hoop.” “Our guards were aggressive all night creating open looks for themselves and teammates. Every player on the team scored tonight which is always a great achievement and we had some career firsts for three of the girls.” Anna Jager had her first double-double with 12 points and 10 rebounds; Torryn Harris hit her first varsity 3-pointer; and freshman Aliyah DeGlopper scored her

first varsity points in her first varsity game. Avery Jager added seven points and 11 rebounds, while Harris had seven points and nine rebounds. Ritchie added 11 rebounds.

Martin boys suffer loss to Delton

By JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

DELTON—Ethan Fitzpatrick scored 21 points for the Martin boys basketball team in its contest with Delton on Friday, Feb. 14. That was the good news for the Clippers. The bad news was that Fitzpatrick’s performance wasn’t quite enough to translate into a win, as Delton won 50-37. Blake Sweeting added 11 points and eight rebounds, while Peyton Schuring-Harris had four points and 11 rebounds. “I’m really proud of our effort,” Martin coach Corby Callaway said. “We have been

dealing with illness throughout the week, and were down to five guys at practice most of the week. But we gave it everything we had tonight.” Martin trailed 18-11 after one quarter before narrowing the gap to 34-32 entering the final quarter. But Delton used a 16-5 run in the final frame to pull away. “We made some defensive adjustments after the first quarter and it helped us get back into the game,” Callaway said. “Unfortunately, we had three or four plays down the stretch that hurt us. Still, I’m super proud of how we fought, all things considered.”

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SPORTS

Saugatuck girls post three victories in four days

By Jason Wesseldyk
SPORTS EDITOR
HOLLAND—In 2010, DJ Khaled released the song “All I Do is Win,” with a little help from T-Pain, Ludacris, Snoop Dogg and Rick Ross.

Given the way the Saugatuck girls basketball team has been playing this season, that might as well be the Trailblazers’ theme song.

Saugatuck—ranked sixth in Division 3—collected its 11th straight win in the form of a 57-29 victory over Holland Black River on Friday, Feb. 14.

The win was the third of the week for the Trailblazers, who bested North Muskegon 55-35 on Wednesday, Feb. 11, after beating South Haven 51-48 the previous night.

Saugatuck clinched the divisional title for the second straight year thanks to the triumph over Black River.

“Despite staring a little slow, we were happy with our kids’ effort tonight,” Saugatuck coach Kevin Tringali said after the Black River game. “Our defense is getting better and post players Maggie Loomis and Nova DeGraff continue to improve.”

Mylah Simpson and Tali Laskowski led the charge for Saugatuck at both ends of the floor.

Defensively, the pair combined for 18 steals. Offensively, Simpson scored a team-best 21 points, with Laskowski next in line with 13 points.

Penny Grob added 10 points to give Saugatuck three double-digit scorers.

The Trailblazers also had three players score in double figures in the North Muskegon game, including 19 from Simpson.

Laskowski was close behind with 17 points, while Kennedy Gustafson chipped in with 10 points as part of her double-double.

Saugatuck jumped out to an 18-8 lead and never looked back.

“I was extremely pleased with how we played,” Tringali said. “This game had a trap written all of it after last night’s tough battle with South Haven, but our kids got after it right from the jump. To me, that’s another sign of mental growth.”

Speaking of the South Haven game, it was a barn burner from the start, with the Rams leading 11-10 after one quarter and the teams locked at 22-22 at halftime.

Saugatuck built a 39-33 lead after three quarters and held off the Rams and Ly’Nique Cunningham—who scored more than 30 points—in the final frame despite losing Gustafson to fouls with seven minutes

remaining.

“Our kids grew up to-night,” Tringali said. “They found a way to play through some adversity and, although tightened up at times, they made the plays when they counted most.

It was good for us to be in this situation. The moment wasn’t too big.”

Laskowski netted a team-best 20 points, followed by Simpson with 17 and Gustafson with 10.

The win over South Ha-

ven (12-4) was the second for Saugatuck over the Rams in less than a week. The Trailblazers earned a 44-36 decision on Wednesday, Feb. 5.



Saugatuck’s Tali Laskowski (right) handles the ball in a recent game. Laskowski scored 13 points in the Trailblazers’ win over Holland Black River. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)

Otsego swim & dive sets pool record in 200 medley relay

By Jason Wesseldyk
SPORTS EDITOR

OTSEGO—A pair of state-cut performances highlighted Otsego’s Southwest and Central Michigan Swim Conference dual meet against Hastings on Tuesday, Feb. 11.

Liam Raseman posted a state-qualifying time of 5:12.92 in the 500-yard freestyle. The 200 free relay team of Blake Guerrant, Willsun Fuller, Carson Bydash and Liam Smith, meanwhile, qualified with a winning time of 1:58.94.

That helped the Bulldogs secure the 74-66

win to finish at 6-1 in league duals.

“It was a great meet for us,” Otsego coach Darryl Belton said. “We got the two state cuts, and as a bonus we broke the pool record in the relay.

“That was even more exciting because it was a record Plainwell held and now we can get them off of our (record) board.”

Belton also had words of praise for Raseman.

“Liam Raseman’s 500 swim was special,” Belton said. “He is just a freshman, and to get that time was big. Now he gets to swim at the state championships and compete with

the big boys.”

Otsego took first place in all but one of the 12 events, with Smith and Fuller leading the way by each winning two individual events and being on two winning relays.

Smith won the 50 free (22.24) and the 100 breaststroke (1:02.02), while Fuller took top honors in the 200 IM (2:20.73) and the 100 butterfly (55.94).

In addition to both being on the winning

200 free relay team, Smith was on the winning 200 medley relay team (1:53.7) along with Raseman, Jacopo Legisa and Bydash, while Fuller was on the winning 400 free relay team (3:49.08) with Garrison Busscher, Dillon Campbell and Raseman.

Also picking up wins for the Bulldogs were Tyler Campbell in the 200 free (2:19.95), Caleb Wesseldyk in diving (217.8) and Dillon Campbell in the 100 backstroke (1:11.75).

Tigers win two dual meets

By Jason Wesseldyk
SPORTS EDITOR

The regular-season portion of the schedule ended on a high note for the Allegan boys swim & dive time.

After earning a 104-65 road win over Sturgis on Tuesday, Feb. 11, the Tigers upended visiting South Haven 107-63 in a make-up meet on Thursday, Feb. 13 to finish at 4-3 in league duals.

The highlight of the South Haven meet came courtesy of Oliver Burnett, who qualified for the Division 3 State Finals with a winning time of 50.59

in the 100-yard freestyle.

Burnett also won the 200 free at 2:01.32, making him the lone Allegan athlete to capture more than one individual event.

But wait, as they say in those late-night infomercials, there’s more. Because Burnett also was part of two winning relay teams: the 200 medley (1:44.2) and the 400 free (3:32.41) along with Sam Kelley.

Allegan’s 200 free relay team of Josh Kelley, Wesley Goodspeed, Emerson Scripps and John DeLaet (1:45.66) also won, as the Tigers swept the three relays.

Other individual-event winners for Allegan were Noah Greig in diving (153.25); DeLaet in the 500 free (6:00.15) and Sam Kelley in the 100 backstroke (1:04.57).

In the Sturgis meet, Bur-

nett also won the 100 and 200 free. He was also part of the winning 400 free relay along with Charlie Morris, Sam Kelley and Smith as well as the winning 200 free relay along with DeLaet, Goodspeed and Scripps.

Allegan’s other individual-event winners included Greig in diving, Sam Kelley in the 100 butterfly, Scripps in the 500 freestyle, Conrad in the 100 backstroke and Smith in the 100 breaststroke.

“With the regular season wrapped up, we now shift our focus to the SCC Conference Championship beginning Feb. 28 at Otsego High School,” Allegan coach Carol Gephart said. “With momentum on their side and several swimmers closing in on state cuts, our guys are poised for an exciting championship meet.”



Otsego freshman Liam Raseman is seen during his state-qualifying effort in the 500-yard freestyle. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)

Trojans earn victory at new pool

By Jason Wesseldyk
SPORTS EDITOR

PLAINWELL—The first meet in its new pool was a successful one for the Plainwell boys swim & dive team.

Hosting Marshall on Tuesday, Feb. 11, the Trojans won eight of the 12 events and secure the 116-69 victory.

Plainwell coach Andrea Murphy entered the meet anticipating it to be much closer than it turned out to be.

“Marshall was supposed to be a big meet for us,” said Murphy, whose team remained unbeaten in South-

west and Central Michigan Swim Conference action at 5-0. “They beat us last year by like four points, so we weren’t going to go through that again.

“However, they had a lot of sickness and had to make changes to their lineup. They focused more on their three relays and were trying to get some cuts for the state meet.”

Competing in the new pool for the first time caused some nerves for the Trojans, according to Murphy.

“We had a solid meet for the most part, but we did

have a few mistakes with starts and goggles coming off,” she said. “We were nervous because it was our first meet in the new pool.

“There are so many little things that pop up that you can’t really prepare for until you go through them when running a meet at a new facility. I am so fortunate that we have an amazing group of swim parents who took on learning the new timing system.

“We also had support from Otsego’s computer operator and Plainwell alum Brienne Demarest, who really helped

us get up and running. All in all, we survived.”

Sam Harper was the lone Trojan to win multiple individual events, taking first in both the 200-yard IM (2:04.64) and the 100 free (49.55).

Also winning individual events for Plainwell were: Alex Steele in the 200 free (2:01.37); Aidan Ranger in diving (205.8); Austin Susens in the 500 free (5:37.31); Ben Sparks in the 100 backstroke (1:02.76); and Davis Nooney in the 100 breaststroke (1:12.66).

The Trojans also took the top spot in the 400 free relay, with the team of Steele, Grady Nugent, Henry Cox and Harper posting at a time of 3:36.29.



Sam Kelley competes in a recent meet for Allegan. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)



Plainwell’s Sam Harper relaxes following one of his events. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)

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LEIGHTON TOWNSHIP

Budget Public Hearing (Truth in Budgeting) Notice

The Leighton Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for fiscal year 2025-2026 at the Leighton Township Hall, 4451 12th St., Wayland MI on Thursday, March 13, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.** A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the Leighton Township Hall.

The Leighton Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities upon seven days notice to the Leighton Township Board.

Note: Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Leighton Township Board by writing or calling the following:

Rachel Fennema
4451 12th St., Suite A
Wayland MI 49348
(616) 891-8238

Notice complies with MCL 141.436 & MCL 211.24e

TOWNSHIP OF GANGES

ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Ganges Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing and regular meeting concerning variance request application on Thursday March 6, 2025 6:00 p.m. at the Ganges Township Hall, 1904 64th Street, Fennville.

Please take further notice that the matter to be considered at the public hearing include the following:

Asa and Agger Palley; Phillip and Charlotte Palley have petitioned for a rear setback (street front on a lake parcel) variance to construct a new residence at 2268 Lakeshore 0307-420-134-00. Required rear setback (street front on a lake parcel) 30 feet; request 10ft of relief (20ft to property line, street).

Written correspondence may be submitted to the Clerk at 1904 64th Street, Fennville, MI 49408 up to the date of the hearing and may also be submitted at the hearing.

Anyone interested in reviewing the related applications may contact the Zoning Administrator 1-800-626-5964 or email mtsallegan@frontier.com to request a digital copy.

Necessary and reasonable aids for disabled persons will made available with sufficient notice to the clerk.

Robin Phelps
1904 64th Street
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269-543-8316

NOTICE

MONTEREY TOWNSHIP 2025 BOARD OF REVIEW

TO ALL TOWNSHIP TAXPAYERS:
THE 2025 BOARD OF REVIEW FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MONTEREY WILL MEET AT THE MONTEREY COMMUNITY BUILDING, 2999 30TH STREET, ON ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025
at 7:30 p.m.
HEARING APPEALS
MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2025
from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
and
TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025
from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The tentative recommended equalization ratios and estimated multipliers (factors) necessary to compute state equalized values of real and personal property in the Township of Monterey for 2025 are:

CLASS	RATIO (%)	MULTIPLIER
AGRICULTURAL	42.07	1.1885
COMMERCIAL	49.40	1.0121
INDUSTRIAL	40.93	1.2216
RESIDENTIAL	46.60	1.0730
PERSONAL	50.00	1.00000

By Board resolution, residents are able to protest by letter, provided the protest letter is received by the Assessor before 5:00 P.M. on Friday, March 7, 2025. For an appointment please call (269) 358-8727.

Brian Busscher
Monterey Township Assessor
2999 30th St.

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Any questions relative to the scope may be directed to the following:

Doug Kadzban
Public Works Director
dkadzban@cityofallegan.org
231 Trowbridge Street
Allegan, MI 49010

GANGES TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE

The Ganges Township Board of Review will meet at the Town Hall, 1904 64th St, Fennville, MI 49408 on the following dates:

March 4, 2025
5:30 pm - Organizational Meeting
March 12, 2025
2:00pm - 5:00pm &
6:00pm - 9:00pm- Appeals Meeting
March 13, 2025
9:00am - 12:00pm &
1:00pm - 4:00pm - Appeals Meeting

Please call or email for an appointment to appear before the Board of Review. Letter appeals are accepted and must be filed with the Assessor prior to 5:00pm, March 12th. All appeals are required to submit form L-4035 – Petition to Board of Review.

The 2025 tentative ratios and multiplying factors are listed by class as set by the Allegan County Equalization Department as follows:

Agricultural	42.34 / 1.18092
Commercial	49.47 / 1.01071
Industrial	46.68 / 1.07112
Residential	45.01 / 1.11086
Personal Property	50.00 / 1.00000

Heather Jahr
Ganges Township Assessor
(616) 970-7820
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NOTICE

Martin Township 2025 Board of Review

The Martin Township Board of Review will be held at the Township Hall (Fire Hall), 988 Templeton, Martin, MI 49070, on the following dates:

Tuesday, March 4,
9:00 a.m. – Organizational Meeting only
Monday, March 10,
9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Appeal Hearing
Thursday, March 13,
3 p.m. to 9 p.m. – Appeal Hearing

The Board of Review will meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests, and to equalize the 2025 assessments. Letters are accepted as appeal, provided they are received prior to the final appeal hearing. Send letter to the Martin Township Board of Review, PO Box 184, Martin, MI 49070.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2025 as provided by the Allegan County Equalization Department are as follows:

Agricultural	44.55%	1.12233
Commercial	50.26%	0.99482
Industrial	44.56%	1.12208
Residential	48.57%	1.02944
Personal Property	50.00%	1.00000

State Equalized Value (SEV) represents 50% of the True Cash Value of the property. Taxable Value (TV) is the lower of the SEV or the 2024 TV multiplied by the Inflation Rate Multiplier (1.031). Transfers of ownership in 2024 will cause the cap in taxable value to be removed, making the taxable value equal to the SEV for 2025.

Glenn Leep
Martin Township Supervisor

Krista Simmons
Martin Township Assessor

OVERISEL TOWNSHIP 2025 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW

The 2025 tentative ratios and factors are given below by class, as set by the County Equalization Department.

CLASS	RATIO	FACTOR
AGRICULTURE	42.46	1.1767
COMMERCIAL	49.07	1.0190
INDUSTRIAL	48.46	1.0318
RESIDENTIAL	48.30	1.0352
ALL PERSONAL	50.00	1.0000

Adjustments have been made to the assessment roll so that the anticipated Equalization Factor for 2025 will be 1.000. Property owners may examine the assessment roll at the office during normal Township Hall hours.

2025 Board of Review will be in session during the days listed below. Property owners who desire to appeal the assessed value of their property must do so during these times. Appeals are by appointment only. For an appointment call 269-751-7030. Written appeals will also be accepted.

Monday, March 10: 2 - 5 PM and 6 – 9 PM
Wednesday, March 12: 9 AM – Noon and 1 – 4 PM

LEE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lee Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 877 56th St, Pullman, MI 49450 on the following dates:

March 4, 2025
6:30 pm - Organizational Meeting
March 12, 2025
2:00pm - 5:00pm &
6:00pm - 9:00pm - Appeals Meeting
March 13, 2025
11:00am - 2:00pm &
3:00pm - 6:00pm - Appeals Meeting

Please call or email for an appointment to appear before the Board of Review. Letter appeals are accepted and must be filed with the Assessor prior to 5:00pm, March 12th. All appeals are required to submit form L-4035 – Petition to Board of Review.

The 2025 tentative ratios and multiplying factors are listed by class as set by the Allegan County Equalization Department as follows:

Agricultural	44.46 / 1.12461
Commercial	52.94/ 0.94447
Industrial	45.89/ 1.08956
Residential	46.57/ 1.07365
Personal Property	50.00 / 1.00000

Heather Jahr
Lee Township Assessor
(616) 970-7820
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NOTICE

WATSON TOWNSHIP 2025 Board of Review

TO ALL TOWNSHIP TAXPAYERS: The 2025 Board of Review of the Township of Watson will meet at the Watson Township Hall, 1895 118th Ave., Allegan, MI on

Organizational Meeting: Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 6:00pm. Organizational meeting only, no tax protest at this meeting.

TAX PROTEST WILL BE HEARD:

Monday, March 10, 2025	Tuesday, March 11, 2025
9:00 am to 12:00 pm	2:00 pm to 5:00 pm
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm	6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

At which time the board of review will hear protest relative to assessments for 2025 and will, upon presentation of sufficient evidence, correct the assessments in a manner as will, in their judgment, make it relatively just as equal.

The tentative factors of the Township of Watson for 2025 are as follows:

Classification	Ratio	Multiplier
Agriculture	40.50	1.23457
Commercial	37.98	1.31648
Industrial	41.96	1.19161
Residential	48.46	1.03178
Developmental	NC	NC
Personal	50.00	1.0000

Please direct all written, faxed or e-mailed replies to:

Watson Township Supervisor, Kevin Travis
1895 118th Ave.
Allegan, MI 49010
Fax: 269-672-5488
Email: supervisor@watsontownshipmi.gov

All written replies must be received no later than Monday, March 10, 2025

Faces on the Street

By G C Stoppel

A month into a new presidential administration, and with forty-seven months left to go, what are your thoughts about the success or failure?

-Young man at a gas station on M-89: "I guess he's doing all right. He's shaking things up, and maybe the country needs that."

-Middle-aged couple, same location. Man: "I think he's doing the right things to get us back on track." Woman: "Same here. I agree."

-Woman near the Fennville hardware store, looked around to make sure no one was too close: "I think he's an egotistic power-mad whack job. He's all over the map several times a day. And so is

his stooge."

-Couple near the Fennville pharmacy, Man: "I don't know what to think. We needed some changes, but is this the right way to do it? I don't know." Woman: "I don't want to get involved. Sorry."

-Younger woman near the Allegan Public Library: "I didn't vote for him, and I think what he's doing with migrants is wrong.

Sure, get the criminals out of here, but what about the children? Huh? What about them? I'll bet some of them worry that if they come in here (pointing to the library) ICE might be here on a raid. I should ask but I'm scared about getting into trouble."

-Woman with her: "And none of us voted for Musk. I wonder who's running the country? Him

or Trump?"

-Woman near the Allegan Post Office: "He's wonderful! We're getting rid of the [migrants] and putting the Russians and Chinese on notice not to start messing around. I like what he said about the Iranians, too! He's God's man for our time!"

-Another woman, same location: "I don't know. He's sort of a mixed

bag. I like that Robert Kennedy, though, when it comes to being cautious about vaccines and our food. He makes sense."

-Man near the Regent Theater: "Sort of exciting, like watching an adventure movie on the big screen. But I don't know about getting rid of the pennies." Laughs and walks away.

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611 W. Ottawa
P.O. Box 30670
Lansing, Michigan 48909
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FORECLOSURE NOTICE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ATTN HOMEOWNER: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE—Default has been made in the terms and conditions of a Mortgage made by Kevin M. Williams, a single man, of 2909 Lavita Lane, Dallas, Texas 75234 ("Mortgagor") to BankUnited, N.A., a national banking association, of 7815 NW 148 Street, Miami Lakes, Florida 33016 ("Mortgagee") dated September 25, 2020 and recorded with the Allegan County Register of Deeds, State of Michigan, on September 30, 2020 in Liber 4517, Page 629, Document #2020019993 (the "Mortgage"). The sum claimed to be due and owing on said Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is One Million Three Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy and 10/100 Dollars (\$1,325,770.10) including principal and interest. Under the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, March 6, 2025, at 9 a.m., local time, said Mortgage will be foreclosed at a sale at public auction to the highest bidder at that place where Circuit Court is held in Allegan County of the premises and land described in the Mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on the Mortgage, together with interest, advances, legal costs, and charges and expenses, including the attorney fee, and also any sums which may be paid by the undersigned necessary to protect its interest. Said premises are situated in the City of Otsego, County of Allegan, State of Michigan, and are described as: Commencing 66 feet South 75 degrees 40 minutes East from Southeast corner of Fair and Charles Street, thence South 75 degrees 40 minutes 66 feet, thence South 14 degrees 20 minutes West 165 feet, thence North 75 degrees 40 minutes West 66 feet, thence North 14 degrees 20 minutes East 165 feet to beginning, Section 23, Town 1 North, Range 12 West. Parcel Identification Number: 54-023-057. 00 Commonly known as 218 Charles St., Otsego, MI 49078 The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948 CL 600.3241 or 600.3241a, as the case may be, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY ADVERTISEMENT. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 6, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Dated: January 14, 2025 BankUnited, N.A., a National Banking Association Ingrid A. Jensen (616) 608-1107 Attorney for Mortgagee Clark Hill PLC 2900 Ottawa NW, Suite 500 Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (01-23)(02-20)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 09:00 AM, on March 20, 2025. The amount due on the Mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Default has been made in the conditions of

a Mortgage made by Sarkis Sarkisian and Kathryn Anne Woods Sarkisian to American Advisors Group dated January 19, 2022 and recorded January 31, 2022 in Liber 4725 at Page 1, Allegan County, Michigan. Said Mortgage is now held by Finance of America Reverse LLC by assignment and/or merger. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of \$299,469.42. Said premises are located in Allegan County, Michigan and are described as: Lot(s) No. 86, 87, 88, and 89 of Felker's Lake Shore Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof. Being the same property conveyed to Sarkis Sarkisian and Kathryn Anne Wood Sarkisian, husband and wife from Kathryn Anne Woods Sarkisian by Warranty Deed dated March 22, 2021 and recorded March 23, 2021 among the Land Records of Allegan County, State of Michigan in Book 4594, Page 247 Instrument No. 2021006924. Tax Account #: 03-59-210-032-00; ALT APN: 59-210-032-00 Said property is commonly known as 3077 May Ave, Douglas, MI 49406. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Please be advised that any third party purchaser is responsible for preparing and recording the Sheriff's Deed. If this is a residential Mortgage, the following shall apply: ATTENTION HOMEOWNER: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the Mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU: ARE A DEBTOR IN AN ACTIVE BANKRUPTCY CASE; ARE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF A BANKRUPTCY STAY; OR, HAVE RECEIVED A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY AND YOU HAVE NOT RE-AFFIRMED THE DEBT. THIS NOTICE IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY AND SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT FROM YOU PERSONALLY. Dated: January 27, 2025 Attorney for the party foreclosing the Mortgage: Thomas E. McDonald (P39312) Brock & Scott, PLLC 5431 Oleander Drive Wilmington, NC 28403 PHONE: (844) 856-6646 File No. 24-36501 (01-30)(02-20)

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SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE - ALLEGAN COUNTY Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on March 06, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. MORTGAGE: Mortgagor(s): Georgia McNees, an unmarried woman Original Mortgage: Centex Home Equity Company, LLC Date of mortgage: April 28, 2006 Recorded on May 12, 2006, Liber 29856, on Page 270, Foreclosing Assignee (if any): U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Asset Backed Securities Corporation Home Equity Loan Trust, Series MO 2006-HE6, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series MO 2006-HE6 Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Twenty-Six and 26/100 Dollars (\$115,026.26) Mortgaged premises: Situated in Allegan County, and described as: LOT 24 OF BELDEN SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 8 OF PLATS, ON PAGE 18, TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE USE OF SHORE DRIVE AND HILL DRIVE. Commonly known as 692 East Lake 16 Road, Allegan, MI 49010 The redemption period will be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Asset Backed Securities Corporation Home Equity Loan Trust, Series MO 2006-HE6, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series MO 2006-HE6 Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400 1551806 (01-30)(02-20)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. ATTENTION HOMEOWNER: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Under the power of sale contained herein in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or a cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on March 6, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. MORTGAGE SALE—Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph J. Laroy, a Married Man and Pricilla Laroy, his wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), as nominee for Decision One Mortgage Company, LLC, dated September 27, 2004, and recorded in Liber 2738, Page 108, in Allegan County Records, Michigan, and assigned to Household Finance Corporation III by a corrective Assignment of Mortgage recorded on April 10, 2012 in Liber 3607, Page 376, and assigned to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF8 Master Participation Trust by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on February 24, 2021 in Liber 3816, Page 688, and assigned to U.S. Bank Trust, National Association, as Trustee of the FW Series I Trust by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on May 12, 2020 in Liber 4461, Page 226, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nine

Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Two and 80/100 dollars (\$109,472.80). Said premises are situated in the Township of Otsego, County of Allegan, and State of Michigan, and particularly described as: Lot 5, Oak View Farm, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 15 of Plats, Page 66, Allegan County Records. Commonly known as: 282 Zak Rd., Plainwell, MI 49080 Property Address: 282 Zak Road, Plainwell, MI 49080 Parcel No.: 17-660-005-00 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: February 6, 2025 For more information, please call: (440) 572-1511 Sottile and Barile PLLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 394 Wards Corner Boulevard, Suite 180 Loveland, OH 45140 File MF2410006 - Laroy, Joseph J., Pricilla Laroy (02-06)(02-27)

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parcel of land described as commencing at the Southwest corner of the East 70 acres of the West half of the Southeast quarter of Section 10, Town 1 North, Range 14 West, and running thence North 250 feet; thence East 250 feet; thence South 250 feet; thence West 250 feet to the place of beginning Common street address (if any): 4077 109th Ave, Allegan, MI 49010-9315 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: February 6, 2025 Troitt Law, P.C. 31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 642-2515 1552485 (02-06)(02-27)

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY ADVERTISEMENT THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by Melissa Young (the "Mortgagor") in favor of Big Brother Bail Bonds Agency, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company with an address of 800 Monroe Ave NW, Suite 212, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (the "Mortgagee") dated August 19, 2024, and recorded on September 19, 2024 at Liber 4974, Page 637 of Allegan County Records (the "Mortgage"). The amount claimed to be

due on said Mortgage and unpaid as of the date of this Notice is Five Thousand Five Hundred and 0/100 (\$5,500.00). This sum will increase as additional interest, costs, expenses, and attorney fees accrue under the Mortgage and its related note as permitted by Michigan law after the date of this Notice. No legal or equitable proceedings have been instituted to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage and the power of sale in the Mortgage has become operative by reason of default. The Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property herein described, or some part of thereof, at public auction, to the highest bidder for the purpose of satisfying the amount due and unpaid on the Mortgage, along with interest due, the legal costs and charges of the sale as allowed by statute and/or the Mortgage, and any taxes and insurance that the Mortgagee pays on, or prior to, the date of said sale. Notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises or some part of them at a public venue at the place of holding, Allegan County Courthouse Lobby at 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010 at 9:00 a.m. on March 20, 2025. The property mentioned and described in the Mortgage is located in the Township of Valley, County of Allegan, State of Michigan, more specifically described as: LOT 155 ASPEN ACRES SEC 21 T2N R14W. Parcel ID: 22-160-155-00 Commonly Known As: 1777 Grant Drive, Allegan, MI 49010 together with all existing or subsequently erected or affixed buildings, improvements, and fixtures: all easements, rights of way, streets, roads, alleys, and public places, privileges, and appurtenances, public or private, now or later used in connection with the property, and all rights to make divisions of the land that are exempt from the platting requirements of all applicable land division or platting acts, as amended from time to time. Attention Purchasers: The Foreclosing Mortgagee reserves the right to cancel the sale prior to sale or to rescind the sale at any time. In the event of cancellation or rescission, your damages, if any, will be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest. If the mortgaged property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for any damage to the property during the redemption period. The length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of the sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be thirty (30) days from the date of the sale, or as otherwise provided by statute. DATED: February 7, 2025 SHAUN P. WILLIS (P62441) WILLIS LAW ATTORNEYS FOR BIG BROTHER BAIL BONDS AGENCY, LLC 491 W. South Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007 (269) 492-1040 (02-13)(03-06)

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STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF ALLEGAN NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Trust After Death No Formal Probate Trust Administration Unsupervised In the Matter of Rita A. Lawless, Deceased and the Rita A. Lawless Trust dated December 12, 2011 Date of Birth: December 10, 1929 TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent Rita A. Lawless, who lived at 1112 Fountain View Circle, Unit 1, Holland, Michigan 49423 died on February 6, 2025. She is the settlor or grantor of a trust, Rita A. Lawless Trust dated December 12, 2011. Creditors of the decedent or the trust are notified that all claims against the decedent or the trust will be forever barred unless presented to Thomas Mark Lawless at 1812 Tomahawk Trail, Allegan, Michigan 49010, as trustee, or to the trust's attorney, James A. Donkersloot at 132 E. Main Avenue, P.O. Box 230, Zeeland, Michigan 49464, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Donkersloot Law Office February 12, 2025 James A. Donkersloot, P-30433 132 E. Main Avenue, P.O. Box 230 Zeeland, MI 49464 (616) 772-9000 Thomas Mark Lawless, Trustee

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STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF ALLEGAN NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Trust After Death No Formal Probate Trust Administration Unsupervised In the Matter of Lynn Jay Huff, Deceased and The Lynn Jay Huff Revocable Living Trust dated April 25, 2002 Date of Birth: December 21, 1950 TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent Lynn J. Huff, who lived at 4722 - 18th Street, Byron Center, Michigan 49315 died on January 10, 2025. He is the settlor or grantor of a trust, The Lynn Jay Huff Revocable Living Trust dated April 25, 2002. Creditors of the decedent or the trust are notified that all claims against the decedent or the trust will be forever barred unless presented to Douglas J. Huff at 4722 - 18th Street SW, Byron Center, Michigan 49315, as trustee, or to the trust's attorney, James A. Donkersloot at 132 E. Main Avenue, P.O. Box 230, Zeeland, Michigan 49464, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

February 12, 2025 Donkersloot Law Office James A. Donkersloot, P-30433 132 E. Main Avenue, P.O. Box 230 Zeeland, MI 49464 (616) 772-9000 Douglas J. Huff, Trustee 4722 - 18th Street SW Byron Center, MI 49315 (269) 208-9565

STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 48TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY PROBATE SUMMONS Matthew Antkoviak P-59449 CASE NO. 25- 790.30 CH Plaintiff's name(s), address(es), and telephone no(s).

JEANNE BODFISH, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Sheila Ann Garlock Plaintiff's attorney, bar no., address, and telephone no. Michael J. Becker P81132 ORTON, TOOMAN, HALE, McKOWN & KIEL, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff 314 Trowbridge St., PO Box 239 Allegan, MI 45010 (269) 673-2136 v Defendant's name(s), address(es), and telephone no(s). Marjorie Yerek, and her unknown heirs, devisees and Assigns; Bennie McAnally and his unknown heirs, devisees and assigns Civil Case There is no other pending or resolved civil action arising out of the same transaction or occurrence as alleged in the complaint. SUMMONS NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT: In the name of the people of the State of Michigan you are notified: 1. You are being sued. 2. YOU HAVE 21 DAYS after receiving this summons and a copy of the complaint to file a written answer with the serve a copy on the other party or take other lawful action with the court (28 days if you were served by mail) or served outside this state). 3. If you do not answer or take other action within the time allowed, judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. 4. If you require special accommodations to use the court because of a disability or if you require a foreign language interpreter to help you fully participate in court proceedings, please contact the court immediately to make arrangements. Issue Date 1/27/25 Expiration date: 04/27/25 *****

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ALLEGAN COUNTY BUILDING, ALLEGAN, MICHIGAN 49010 File No.: 25-70030-CH

HON. MATTHEW ANTKOVIAK JEANNE BODFISH as Personal Representative for the ESTATE OF SHEILA ANN GARLOCK, Plaintiff MARJORIE YERESK and her unknown Heirs. Devisees and Assigns; and, BENNIE MCANALLY and his unknown Hiers, Devisees and Assigns. Defendant Michael J. Becker P81132 ORTON, TOOMAN, HALE, McKOWN & KIEL, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiffs 314 Trowbridge St., PO Box 239 Allegan, MI 49010 (269) 673-2136 ORDER FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

At a session of court held in the co use in Allegan County, Michigan, on 2/10/2025 Present: Honorable Matthew Antkoviak Circuit Court Judge Plaintiff filed a verified ex parte motion for service of process in the discretion of the court. After reading the verified motion, the court finds that Plaintiff has shown that service of process cannot reasonably be made on Defendants by the methods provided in MCR 2.105(A), in that Plaintiff has demonstrated diligent attempts to locate Defendants. The court further finds, pursuant to MCR 2.105(1), that service of process by publication is the best available method of service of process reasonably calculated to give Defendant actual notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be heard. IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff must serve the Defendants by publication for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper located in Allegan County, Michigan. Matthew Antkoviak P-59449 Hon. Matthew Antkoviak Prepared by: Orton, Tooman, Hale, McKown & Keil, P.C. By Michael J. Becker P81132 2-20 3-6

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT ALLEGAN COUNTY

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate CASE NO. 2025-65464-DE and JUDGE Hon. Jolene Clearwater Court address: 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010 Court telephone no.(269) 673-0250 Estate of GREGORY D. KEYSER Date of Birth:*August 17, 1947 TO ALL CREDITORS: ** NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, GREGORY D. KEYSER, died December 28, 2024 .

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to TODD KEYSER , personal representative, or to both the probate court at 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. February 11, 2025 SCHUITMAKER MORAITIS LAW OFFICE, PC CHRISTOPHER MORAITIS P87052 181 W. Michigan Ave., Ste. 1, P.O. Box 520 Paw Paw, MI 49079 (269) 657-3177 TODD KEYSER 68644 Rambling Rose Drive Lawton, MI 49065 (269) 806-2155

TO ALL PERSONS, including: (specify non-custodial parent's name here, if applicable) whose address is unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following: TAKE NOTICE: Marcia Marie Bell has filed a petition for name change. A name change hearing will be held on April 2, 2025 at 3:30pm at FAMILY COURT COURTHOUSE before Judge Hon. Jolene Clearwater, to change the name of: Marcia Marie Bell to Marcia Marie Squire

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF ALLEGAN NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate Estate of LUIS H. TOLEDO and THE TOLEDO FAMILY TRUST Date of Birth: October 19, 1943 TO ALL CREDITORS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, LUIS H. TOLEDO, who lived at 7178 Windcliff Drive, South Haven, Michigan 49090, died on January 31, 2025. The decedent established the TOLEDO FAMILY TRUST on August 2, 2016. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to MARJEAN M. TOLEDO, TRUSTEE of the TOLEDO FAMILY TRUST within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. TRUSTEE: MARJEAN M. TOLEDO Address: 7178 Windcliff Drive South Haven, Michigan 49090 ATTORNEY: SYDNEY E. PARFET Address: Howell Parfet Schau 350 East Michigan Avenue, Suite 500 Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007

LEGAL NOTICE In the matter of Irish Roofing of Michigan, LLC v. Taylor King, Allegan County Circuit Court Case No. 24-69688-CK TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: A summons and complaint has been issued against the above-named defendant and this notice is being published in accordance with the order regarding alternate service entered by the court on January 13, 2023. You may view the summons and complaint and supporting documents at the Allegan County Circuit Court, 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, Michigan 49010. Dated: January 17, 2025 Barbara Muller-Wilson P42823 MULLER, BAATENBURG & WILSON LAW GROUP, PC. Attorneys for Plaintiff 979 Spaulding Ave. SE, Suite B Ada, MI 49301-3706 (616) 454-4401 2-6 2-20

PEEK AT THE PAST

From the pages of The Allegan News and The Allegan County News and Gazette:

Feb. 20, 1950 **Churchmen will eat flapjacks:** Tuesday is Pancake Day and members of the Men's Club of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd will mark the day with their fourth annual pancake supper in the Parish House.

Although the club members may not realize it when they sit down at 6:30 Tuesday evening, other church members in other countries have been celebrating the day for hundreds of years. It always falls on Shrove Tuesday, the day before Lent begins.

The pancake has been the symbol of this day since medieval times when "shriving cakes" were associated with the approach of Lent in England.

The cakes were made according to a strict formula set up by the church. Four symbolic ingredients were always used: flour, for the staff of life; mild for innocence; salt for wholesomeness; and eggs as a desirable Lenten food.

After a meal of shriving cakes, the people flocked to church to be "shriven," or absolved for their sins.

Feb. 20, 1975 **County 'mini' oil boom?:** Gas and oil could be gushing out of the new Allegan County wells this summer if suspected reservoirs of black gold pan out. And in a county already punctured by more oil wells than any other in the state, the projected flow means dollars not only to the companies doing the drilling, but also to county residents.

"At this time," says John Miller of Miller Bros. oil



Brothers John (left) and Gene Miller study a printout of geological tests that aid in determining the location of oil and gas deposits in the county. Miller Bros. is the most active independent oil firm in the state. —News & Gazette photo

firm of Allegan, "estimates for success in Allegan County are the same that we saw in northern Michigan in 1969 and 1970. The same success we've had there may very well occur here."

Miller, active president of the Independent Petroleum Association of America, said his company and others have been taking seismic reading throughout the county during the past couple of years and all signs indicate there's oil and gas to be had.

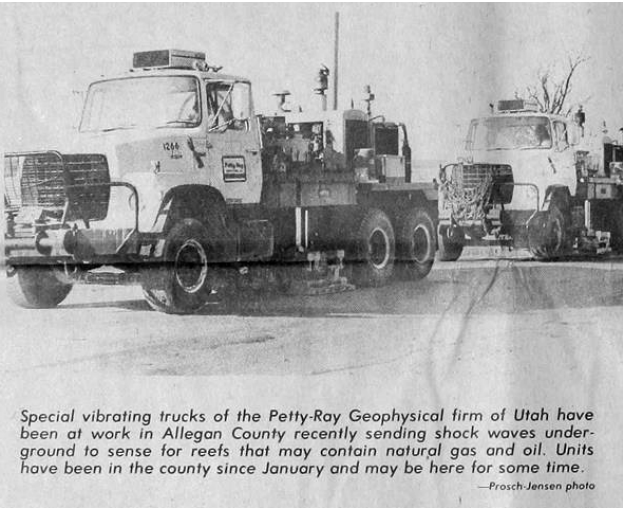
"Activity ought to start moving ahead in the county during 1975," he said. "There should be some preliminary test drilling, more seismic studies. And if things look good, we'll progress form last '75 on."

Miller, who hops around the country making speeches for the IPAA and testifying before Senate and House subcommittees, said it's difficult to get a picture of the time required

to locate and begin producing and oil well.

Feb. 24, 2000 **Ne county facilities on tap; specific plans indefinite as yet:** Allegan County could conduct ground breaking for two new service buildings as early as April 2000.

Both the proposed 911/Emergency Operations Center and planned Family Independence Agency/Health Department facility will be raised in the Dumont Complex beginning this year. Almost all physical features of the buildings are tentative at present.



Special vibrating trucks of the Petty-Ray Geophysical firm of Utah have been at work in Allegan County recently sending shock waves underground to sense for reefs that may contain natural gas and oil. Units have been in the county since January and may be here for some time. —Prosch-Jensen photo

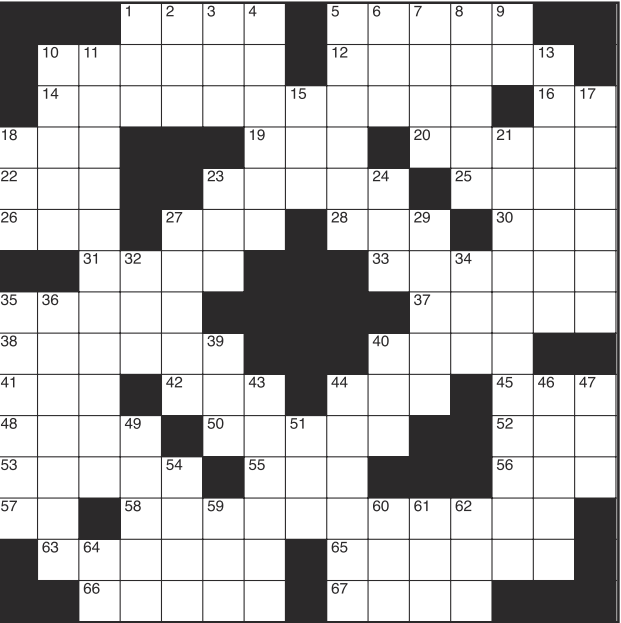
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(See Solution Page B6)

CROSSWORD



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Tropical Asian plant
- 5. Yankees' slugger
- 10. Helps to preserve food
- 12. Plant disease
- 14. One who predicts
- 16. Equally
- 18. Burundian franc
- 19. Pouch
- 20. Arizona city
- 22. Surround
- 23. Hard, heavy timber
- 25. Witnessed
- 26. They __
- 27. French river
- 28. A way to drink
- 30. Small constellation
- 31. Peruse a written work
- 33. Type of hound
- 35. Plant of the goose-

foot family

- 37. Evade or escape
- 38. A way to confine
- 40. Volcanic crater
- 41. Weekday
- 42. Women's service organization (abbr.)
- 44. Local area network
- 45. Sensory receptor
- 48. Posted
- 50. Tibetan pastry
- 52. Licensed for Wall Street
- 53. Very willing
- 55. Golf score
- 56. Consume
- 57. Touchdown
- 58. Tends to remind
- 63. In a way, smoothed
- 65. Poke holes in the ground
- 66. Herbaceous plants
- 67. Taiwanese river

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Body art
- 2. Boxing's GOAT
- 3. Film for posterity (abbr.)
- 4. Prayer
- 5. Calculating machine
- 6. Keyboard key
- 7. Outburst
- 8. Man-eating giants
- 9. New Hampshire
- 10. Type of sword
- 11. Counting
- 13. Pants style
- 15. Political action committee
- 17. U.S. government legislative branch
- 18. Civil Rights Act component
- 21. Contractors take one
- 23. Spanish soldier
- 24. A person's brother or sister
- 27. Expressed pleasure
- 29. Song of praise

- 32. Shock treatment
- 34. Patti Hearst's captors
- 35. Counteract
- 36. Goes over again
- 39. Popular Dodge truck
- 40. Male adult
- 43. A part of a river where the current is very fast
- 44. Rope used to lasso
- 46. Become less intense
- 47. Subway rodent
- 49. Lead alloy
- 51. Japanese honorific title
- 54. Advise someone
- 59. Famous NYC museum
- 60. Ocean
- 61. Cathode-ray tube
- 62. Cologne
- 64. It starts with these two

RELIGION SECTION

In the opening verses of the fourteenth chapter of St John's Gospel, Jesus is telling his disciples to not be afraid, to not let hearts be troubled. Rather we should believe in God and in him.

Often, that is far easier said than done. For many practical, practicing Christians, the real challenge of keeping an untroubled heart is often found in the secular side of life. We might find that our relationship with Jesus is fairly solid, but all that is swirling around us in the rest of the world is highly disturbing.

As an old country Methodist preacher often said, "Pay your money and take your choice." If you want a troubled heart, there are plenty of choices from the economy to bird flu to politics. Or, closer to home, it could be relationships within the family or wider community, money, health, or a frozen pipe.

One thing we share in common is our anxiety about our own future. When I was in my twenties, I thought by the time I hit forty-five, I would have a firm understanding and grasp on things.

I am a few decades beyond that, and I am still just as confused and uncertain about what comes next.

I firmly believe one helpful method is to understand what is completely out of my control. For exam-

ple, there is nothing I can do about what is happening in Washington, Lansing, or elsewhere. It's out of my control, and I remind myself to leave it alone, or at least not let it take up free rent in my mind. Whenever possi-

ble, disengaging or detaching our heart and mind from a problem beyond my control, is a very good idea.

Other situations, over which we can have some influence, needs a different approach. This is why the

1938 film, You Can't Take it With You, is so beloved. Each evening when the Sycamore family sat down to dinner, Grandpa Martin Vanderhof would return thanks at the beginning of the meal. He would thank God for the food, adding that they all still had good health, and sometimes add something good that had recently happened. He would conclude by saying, "and the rest we leave up to you. Amen."

I like that line, "and the rest we leave up to you." It is a very poignant reminder that it is God, not us, who is ultimately in control of all things. When we keep that thought in mind, and practice it, our hearts and minds are no longer trouble.

Sometimes all it takes is to first keep in mind the 1937 gospel hymn, "Just a little talk with Jesus." We are privileged to talk things over with Jesus, then entrust him to take care of us and let go and let God go to work.

*G C Stoppel
Priest Associate
Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan, MI*



Directory of Area Churches

Allegan Assembly of God
424 DeLano St, Allegan
Pastors Tim Heath & Paul Hays
Church: 673-6577

Allegan Bible Church
412 S. Sherman, Allegan
Pastor Jon Gruss
Church: 673-6831

Allegan Christian Center
700 Ely St., Allegan
Paul Knuckles, Pastor
Church: 673-2921

Allegan County Jail
Chaplain Sarah Montgomery
Phone: 673-0350

Allegan United Methodist Church
Corner Walnut & Trowbridge streets, Allegan
Pastor Julia Humenik
Church: 673-4236;

At the Master's Feet
814 21st St., Otsego
269-694-6897
Paster Ray Brown

Blessed Sacrament Church
110 N. Cedar Street, Allegan
Fr. Simon Manjooran
Church: 673-4455

Bloomington Bible Church
210 Chestnut at Pine NW
Bloomington
Ofc. 269-427-2101

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5587 113th Ave., Fennville
Pastor Duane Terpstra
616-886-1214

Burnips United Methodist
4241 30th, Burnips
Craig VanBeek, Pastor
616-896-8410

Calvary Church of Wayland (IFCA)
304 S. Main Street, Wayland
Pastor Chad Peckham
ccwayland.org

Casco United Methodist Church
880 66th Street, South Haven
Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
269-227-3328
www.cascoumc.org

Chicora Country Chapel
4399 108th Ave., Allegan
Pastor Herb Curry
Phone: 521-7657

Christ Community Church
3370 113th Ave., Allegan
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(269) 673-2329
Pastor Wally Coots

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
687 Linn Street, Allegan
Church: 673-9617

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112 Kalamazoo St., Otsego
Pastor Stephen Burrow Sr.
269-694-9481
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4001 124th Allegan
673-5995
www.cornerbiblechurch.com

CrossWind Community Church
1632 142nd Avenue
Dorr, MI 49323
616-359-9013
Pastor Tommy Boutell

Dunningville Reformed Church
2559 M-40, Allegan
Church: 751-5894
Pastor Eric Burrows-Stone
dunningville.org/index.html

East Martin Christian Reformed Church
510-118th Ave., Martin
269-672-5746
www.eastmartincrc.org

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd
101 North Walnut St, Allegan
Office: 673-2254

Faith Baptist Church
2846 125th Ave., Allegan
John Looman, Pastor
673-5040 1-888-354-3272

Fennville Assembly of God
5897 124th Ave.
Fennville, MI 49408
269-561-2683

Fennville United Methodist Church
5849 124th St., Fennville
269-561-5048
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Bob Lynch, Pastor
www.fennvilleumc.org

First Presbyterian Church
200 Cutler Street, Allegan
Church: 673-4631
www.fpcallegan.org
Pastor Sheri Harris
10:30 service time.

First Baptist Church
1290 32nd St., Allegan
Service at 10:00am
Pastors Nathan Smith & Brendon Bayley

www.fbcalleagan.com

First Baptist Church of Otsego
247 E Allegan St., Otsego
(269) 694-4160
firstbaptist@fbcotsego.org

First Church of God
1313 Marshall Street, Allegan
269 673-3881
www.patthohim.org
Pastor, Tim Secord

First Congregational Church
323 Cutler Street, Allegan
Church Office: 673-3139

First Congregational Church
120 W. Morrell St., Otsego
269-694-6085
Pastor Lenny Luchetti

First Presbyterian Church of Plainwell
303 East Bridge St.
Plainwell, MI 49080
Pastor Ruth Lowry 685-5990

Friendship Bible Church
104 Baker St., Hopkins, MI
Pastor Chris Cronk and Wor-
ship Pastor Tony Caldara
Office 793-7929

Ganges Baptist Church
6577 122nd Avenue, Fennville
269-543-4203
11AM each Sunday

Grace Church of Hamilton
3690 Lincoln Rd. P.o. Box 97
Hamilton MI 49419
269.264.4900
Gracechurchofhamilton@gmail.com

Haven Church
PO Box 1
4691 Oak Street, Hamilton
(269)751-7300
Pastor Mike Drew
FB:havenreformedchurch

Hope Lutheran Church
290 12th St., Plainwell
(269) 685-1348
Pastor Nicole Smith
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Hopkins Community Reformed Church
2142 128th Ave., Hopkins
(269) 793-7361
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322 N. Maple St., Hopkins
(269) 793-7323
Pastor Kelsey French

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269-521-4580 ·
Pastor Don Miller

Immanuel Lutheran Church
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Church: 673-3335
Rev. Christopher Laughlin

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness
2199 Taft Road, Allegan
Phone: 673-6179

Living Waters Community Church
5458 M-89, Fennville
Service: 10:30 Sundays
Pastor Andrew Leach
269-561-5277

M-40 North Church of God
1900 M-40, Allegan
Pastor Nathan Strom
Church: 673-4412

Martin Reformed Church
1073 W. Allegan St., Martin
Pastor: Matthew Hendricks
672-5596

Martin United Methodist Church
969 E. Allegan St., Martin
Pastor Margaret Stoken
269-672-7097
www.martinumc.org

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Pastor Alan Carson
Office: 673-5274
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793-7288

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5425 105th Ave., Pullman
Pastor Everett Belue
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New Hope Baptist Church
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Pastor Tadd Butler
673-1938

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Gobles MI · 269.628.9199
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4460 38th Street
Hamilton. Mi. 49419
616 688 5290
Pastor Mark Vande Zande

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Otsegomethodistchurch.org

Peace Lutheran Church
805 S. Wilmott St., Otsego
www.peaceotsego.com
694-6104

Pearl United Methodist Church
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Pastor George Osborn

Plainwell First United Methodist Church
200 Park St. Plainwell
269-685-5113
www.fumcplainwell.com

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Pastor Austin T Kreutz
269 567 8330

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269-672-9904
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672-7097 · Church office
Pastor Margaret Stoken

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Church: 793-7323

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11850 9 Mile Rd., Shelbyville
269-664-4345
Service: Sundays 9:30 am

Saint John's Church of God In Christ
716 Academy St, Allegan
Rev. Jeremiah Johnson Sr.
Phone: 673-8590—673-3007

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
1764 34th St., Allegan
Pastor Ronald Kruse 673-2079
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

St. Margaret's Catholic Church
766 S. Farmer St., Otsego
269-694-6311

Third Coast Community Church
www.thirdcoastff.org |
269.857.5633
6069 Blue Star Hwy, Saugatuck,
MI 49453
Sunday Worship: 10:00am

Trowbridge Community Church
355 26th Street, Otsego
Pastor Mykel Hall, Pastor
Church: 673-5502

The River Flows with Hope and Healing
1652 M-40 North, Allegan
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

Unity Baptist Church
35 14 12th St. Wayland
Pastor Kelly Ryan
Cell # (269) 330-2217

Watson Bible Church
1626 116th St., Otsego
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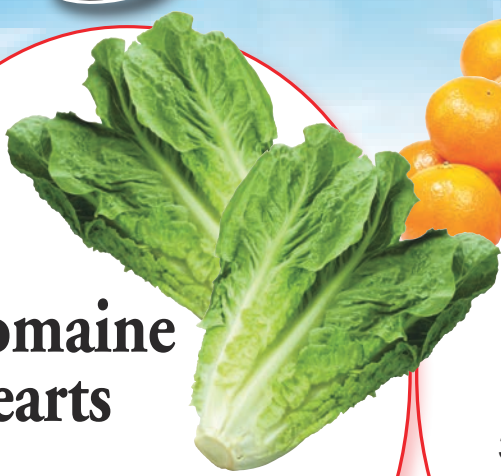
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7.3 - 13.5 oz.

2/\$6

Save at least \$3.58 on 2



Select Varieties

Helper Dinners
4.7 - 7.6 oz.

BUY ONE, GET ONE
FREE!

Save at least \$2.64 on 2



Select Varieties

Country Fresh Cottage Cheese, Sour Cream or French Onion Dip
24 oz.

2/\$5

Save at least \$2.48 on 2



Select Varieties

Prego Pasta Sauce
14.5 - 24 oz.

3/\$5

Save at least \$3.47 on 3



Our Family Cooking Oil

Vegetable, Canola or Blended
40 - 48 oz.

\$3.99

Save at least \$1.00 on 1



Select Varieties

Dutch Farms Shredded Cheese
6 - 8 oz. (excludes swiss)

BUY ONE, GET ONE
FREE!

Save at least \$3.44 on 2



Select Varieties

Roma Pizza
10.54 - 14.1 oz.

3/\$9

Save at least \$2.47 on 3



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Fuel Savings!

We offer you more ways to save in store and at the pump!

save 20¢ On Each Gallon of Fuel!

Buy (1) 1 1/2 Dozen Large Eggs and receive 20¢ off each gallon of gas! (up to 25 gallons)

save 40¢ On Each Gallon of Fuel!

Spend \$80 or more on groceries and receive 40¢ off each gallon of gas! (up to 25 gallons)

total savings 60¢ On Each Gallon of Fuel!

Buy (1) 1 1/2 Dozen Large Eggs and spend \$80 or more on groceries and receive 60¢ off each gallon of gas! (up to 25 gallons)

*Excludes tobacco, lottery, stamps, gift cards, western union, money orders, bottle deposits and sales tax. Limit 1 offer per transaction, per customer. Promo valid 14 days. See store for more details.

We reserve the right to limit quantities. We are not providing rain checks due to supply and demand from the Coronavirus (Covid-19).

fresh deli

Boar's Head
Classic
Chicken Breast
\$11.99
lb.

Boar's Head
Available At Our
Allegheny Location Only

Boar's Head
3-Pepper
Colby Cheese
\$11.99
lb.

Boar's Head
Hard Salami
\$12.49
lb.

Boar's Head
Muenster
Cheese
\$9.49
lb.

Old
Tyme Deli
Ham
Brown Sugar, Maple
or Off-The-Bone

\$7.49
lb.

Save at least
50¢ lb.

Old
Tyme Deli
Swiss Cheese

\$7.49
lb.

Save at least
50¢ lb.

Grab 'N Go
12-Piece
Deli Fried
Chicken

\$17.99

Save at least
\$1.00

BBQ Pork
Rib Bites

\$8.99

Save at least
\$2.00 lb.

Deviled Egg
Potato Salad

\$4.49
lb.

Save at least
50¢ lb.

Garden Fresh
Salsa
16 oz.

\$3.99

Save at least
80¢

Roth
Havarti
Cheese
6 oz.

\$5.29

Save at least
\$1.00

\$5.99 Daily Lunch Specials
Monday - Friday 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Monday, Feb. 17:

1/2 Panini
of the Day
includes 1 Hot Side
& 1 Cold Side



Tuesday, Feb. 18:

Open Face
Turkey Sandwich
includes 1 Hot Side
& 1 Cold Side



Wednesday, Feb. 19:

3-Piece Chicken
Tenders
includes 1 Hot Side
& 1 Cold Side



Thursday, Feb. 20:

Pulled Pork
Sandwich
includes 1 Hot Side
& 1 Cold Side



Friday, Feb. 21:

Cod
includes 1 Hot Side
& 1 Cold Side



fresh bakery

Not available in
all stores.

Fresh Baked
Ciabatta
Bread
18 oz.

\$3.29

Save at least
70¢

Fresh Baked
Sub
Buns
4 ct.

\$2.79

Save at least
70¢

Season Favorite!
Paczkis
4 ct.

\$5.99

Save at least
50¢

Assorted Varieties
Strudel
Bites
12 ct.

\$3.49

Save at least
50¢

Fresh Baked
Blueberry
Pie
8-inch

\$7.99

Save at least
\$1.00

Chocolate
Dipped
Peanut Butter
Cookies
10 ct.

\$4.99

Save at least
\$1.00



Village Market,
All Natural, Fresh

Pork Steak

Regular, BBQ, Thin, Thick,
Boneless or Stuffed
Regular or Family Pack Size

BUY ONE PKG., GET ONE PKG.
OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE

FREE!

SEAFOOD!

Fresh
Catfish
Fillets

\$8.99
lb.

Superior
Lobster Mac
& Cheese
Homestyle or Gourmet
14 oz.

\$5.99

Peeled & Deveined
Tail-On
Our Family
Cooked Shrimp
16 - 20 ct., 16 oz.

\$11.99

Peeled & Deveined
Our Family
Raw Shrimp
31 - 40 ct., 16 oz.

\$7.49

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VILLAGE MARKET FOR
TOP-QUALITY MEATS &
SEAFOOD!**

*Great Selection...
at prices you'll love!*



Mix or Match
Village Market,
All Natural, Fresh

Country Style Pork Strips

Regular or BBQ
Regular or Family Pack Size

BUY ONE PKG., GET ONE PKG.
OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE

FREE!

Buy More, Save More Meat Sale!

Village Market,
All Natural, Fresh

Semi-Boneless Pork Shoulder Butt Roast

\$1.99
lb.

Boneless
Center Cut
Half Pork Loin

\$2.49
lb.

USDA Certified Tender



Rib-Eye Steak • Rib-Eye Roast
New York Strip Loin Roast
Beef Tenderloin • New York Strip Steak
T-Bone Steak • Porterhouse Steak
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Tender Ridge,
Choice Angus

Beef T-Bone Steak

Family Pack

\$10.99
lb.

Porterhouse
Steak
Family Pack

\$11.49
lb.

Village Market, All Natural

Boneless Baby Back Ribs

Regular or BBQ

BUY ONE PKG., GET ONE PKG.
OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE

FREE!

Pork
Baby Back
Ribs

\$3.99
lb.

Tender Ridge, Choice Angus

Boneless Beef Top Round Roast or Family Pack Steak

\$6.99
lb.

Boneless Beef
Top Round
Steak
Lesser Amt. Pkg.

\$7.49
lb.

Village Market,
All Natural

Bone-In Pork Loin Rib End Roast

BUY ONE PKG., GET ONE PKG.
OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE

FREE!

Village Market,
Certified Fresh

Ground Beef

5 lb. or more pkg.

\$4.99
lb.

Fresh
Ground Beef
Burger Patties
Family Pack

\$5.99
lb.

Mix or Match
Village Market, All Natural

Bone-In Pork Loin Sirloin End Chops

Regular, Thin, Thick or BBQ

BUY ONE PKG., GET ONE PKG.
OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE

FREE!

Pick 5 Buy 5 for \$25

Less or More: \$5.99 each

See Store For Details.



Butcher Shoppe Specialties

Select Varieties
Village Market,
Store Made

Bulk Italian
Pork Sausage
\$3.29
lb.



Village Market,
Store Made, Fresh

Bacon Pork
Link Sausage
Family Pack
\$3.99
lb.

Village Market,
Store Made

Jalapeño
Cheddar
Meatloaf
\$5.99
lb.



Tender Ridge
Boneless Beef
Stew Meat
Family Pack
\$6.99
lb.

Select Varieties

Eckrich
Meat Franks
(12 oz.) or Regular or
Thick Sliced Bologna

2/\$4



Select Varieties

Smithfield
Prime Fresh
Lunch Meat
7 - 8 oz.

\$3.99



Select Varieties

Reser's
Main Street
Side Dishes
17 - 20 oz.

2/\$9



Select Varieties

Hart's
Entrées
32 oz.

\$6.99



Fresh Produce

At Great Prices!



Cosmic
Crisp Apples

\$1.99
lb.



Fresh Express
Salad Mixes

Premium Romaine (9 oz.)
or Sweet Butter (6 oz.)

2/\$6



Fresh
Yellow, Red
or Orange
Bell Peppers
each

2/\$3



Premium
Extra Large
Red or Green
Seedless Grapes

\$2.99
lb.



Fresh
Seedless
Cucumbers
each

2/\$3



Fresh
Cauliflower
each

\$2.99



Navel, Blood
or Cara Cara
Oranges
each

5/\$5



Organic



Select Varieties

Earthbound Farm
Organic
Salad Mixes
10 oz.

\$4.99



Fresh

Organic
Broccoli
each

\$3.99



floral center

6-Inch
Hyacinth
Bulb Plant
each

\$9.99



Fresh
& Finest
Grand Garden
Bouquet
each

\$14.99

Breakfast Bargains

Village Market,
Store Made, Fresh

Bulk
Original Pork
Breakfast Sausage
Family Pack

\$2.99
lb.



Select Varieties

General Mills
Large Size
Cereal
12 - 16.8 oz.

\$3.99



Select Varieties

Kellogg's
Raisin Bran or
Special K Cereal
9.6 - 16.6 oz.

2/\$7



Select Varieties

Quaker
Instant
Oatmeal
8.2 - 14.1 oz.

2/\$6



Our Family
Bagels
Everything or Plain
20 oz.

2/\$6



Select Varieties

Maxwell House
Ground Coffee
22 - 36.8 oz.

\$9.99



Quaker
Old Fashioned
or Quick Oats
42 oz.

\$3.99



Select Varieties

Hungry Jack
Pancake Mix
or Syrup
24 - 32 oz.

2/\$6



Select Varieties

Nature Valley
Muffins or Biscuits
(5 ct.) or Soft Baked
Oatmeal Squares (6 ct.)

2/\$6



Select Varieties

Little Debbie
Donuts or
Donut Sticks
8.62 - 10.5 oz.

3/\$7



Select Varieties

Our Family
Single Serve
Coffee Pods
(12 ct.) or
Ground Coffee (12 oz.)

\$4.99



Select Varieties

Our Family
Buttermilk
Pancakes
(12 ct.) or Waffles (10 ct.)

2/\$4



Select Varieties

Totino's
Breakfast
Bites
19.5 oz.

2/\$9



Dutch Farms
Cream Cheese
Lite or Regular
8 oz.

2/\$4



Select Varieties

Dutch Farms
Bagels
14 oz.

2/\$4



savings - selection - service - quality - value

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Assorted Varieties
Coke Products
(10 pk., 7.5 oz. sleek mini cans) or
Monster Energy Drinks
(4 pk., 16 oz. cans)
(plus deposit) or
Gold Peak Tea
(6 pk., 16.9 oz. btl.)



Assorted Varieties
Coke Products
12 pk., 12 oz. cans
(plus deposit)

Save at least
\$4.48 on 2

\$7.99

Select Varieties
Powerade Drinks
8 pk., 12 oz. btl.



\$4.99

Lesser or
More Qty.'s
\$7.99
Each
(plus deposit)

When You
Buy 2

2/\$15

Select Varieties
Lay's
Potato Chips
or **Poppables**
(5 - 8 oz.) or **Tostitos**
Tortilla Chips (9 - 13 oz.)



Save at least
\$1.48 on 2

2/\$8

Assorted Varieties
Pepsi Products
(6 pk., 16.9 oz. btl.)
(plus deposit) or
Propel Drinks
(6 pk., 12 oz. btl.)



Assorted Varieties
Pepsi Products
8 pk., 12 oz. btl. or
10 pk., 7.5 oz.
sleek mini cans
(plus deposit)

\$5.99

3/\$13

Save at least
\$5.87 on 3

Select Varieties
Kool-Aid Bursts
6 ct.



2/\$4

Save at least
\$1.00 on 2

Select Varieties
On The Border
Tortilla Chips
8 - 11 oz.



2/\$5

Save at least
\$3.58 on 2

Assorted Varieties
7-Up Products
6 pk., 16.9 oz. btl.
(plus deposit)



Assorted Varieties
7-Up Products
10 pk., 7.5 oz. cans
(plus deposit)

3/\$11

3/\$9

Save at least
\$8.47 on 3

Miller: Lite or 64,
Coors: Light or Banquet or
Molson Canadian
24 pk. cans
(plus deposit)



\$18.99

Save at least
\$4.40 on 1

Select Varieties
Bugles,
Chex Mix or
Garden of Eatin' Snacks
7 - 8.75 oz.



2/\$5

Save at least
\$3.38 on 2

Assorted Varieties
Bubly Sparkling Water
(8 pk., 12 oz. cans),
Pepsi Products (6 pk., 7.5 oz. cans) or
Schweppes Mixers (6 pk., 10 oz. btl.)
(plus deposit).....



2/\$8

Glacéau Smart Water
Regular or Antioxidant
700 ml.....



2/\$4

Select Varieties
Snapple Drinks
6 pk., 16.9 oz. btl.....



\$3.99

Select Varieties
Mike's Hard Lemonade
6 pk.
(plus deposit).....



\$9.99

Select Varieties
Yellow Tail Wine
750 ml.....



\$6.99

Select Varieties
Nabisco Chips Ahoy! or Oreo Cookies
9.5 - 14.03 oz.....



\$3.99

Select Varieties
Cape Cod Potato Chips
7.5 - 8 oz.



2/\$6

Select Varieties
Our Family Storage Bags
30 - 50 ct.....



2/\$6

Select Varieties
Aunt Millie's Bread
Homestyle Buttermilk,
Healthy Goodness Potato or
Family Style Honey Wheat (22 oz.)
or Artisan White (20 oz.) or Homestyle Honey
or Stadium White Hamburger or Hot Dog
Buns (8 ct.) or Stadium Brat Buns (6 ct.)



2/\$5

Save at least
\$2.38 on 2

Campbell's Tomato or Chicken Noodle Condensed Soup
10.75 oz.



4/\$5

Save at least
25¢ on 4

Select Varieties
Nabisco Premium Saltine Crackers
11 - 16 oz.
\$3.99

Select Varieties
Swanson Chicken or Beef Broth
14.5 oz.



3/\$3

Save at least
\$2.07 on 3

Select Varieties
Our Family Deluxe Macaroni & Cheese Dinner
12 - 14 oz.



2/\$5

Save at least
\$2.38 on 2

Select Varieties
Our Family Canned Fruit
14.5 - 15.25 oz.



2/\$4

Save at least
38¢ on 2

Select Varieties
Tide Liquid Detergent
(132 oz.) or **Pods** (76 ct.)



\$19.99

Save at least
\$2.00 on 1



Select Varieties
Our Family Pasta
12 - 16 oz.

Select Varieties
Mueller's Egg Noodles
12 oz.



2/\$5

Save at least
\$1.47 on 3

3/\$4



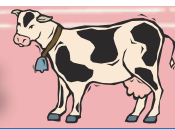
Our Family Select-A-Size White Paper Towels
2 ultra huge rolls

2/\$9

Save at least
\$3.48 on 2



dairy savings - dairy savings



Select Varieties

**Our Family
Orange Juice**
52 oz.

2/\$7

Save at least
48¢ on 2



Select Varieties

**Yoplait
Yogurt**

Original, Whips or Light
4 - 6 oz.

8/\$5

Save at least
62¢ on 8



**Our Family
1% Lowfat or
Fat Free Milk**
gallon

2/\$7

Save at least
48¢ on 2



**Orchard Pure
100% Orange Juice
from Concentrate**
64 oz.

\$3.99

Save at least
\$2.00 on 1



Select Varieties

**Coffee mate
Liquid Creamer**
46 - 64 oz.

\$6.99

Save at least
70¢ on 1



Select Varieties
**Dutch Farms
Natural Cheese
Slices**
6 oz.

2/\$5

Save at least
\$2.48 on 2



Select Varieties
**Dutch Farms
String or Snack
Cheese**
10 oz.

\$3.99

Save at least
\$1.00 on 1



Select Varieties
**Ore-Ida
Just Crack
An Egg**
2.25 - 3 oz.

2/\$4

Save at least
\$1.48 on 2



frozen favorites - frozen favorites

Select Varieties

**Edy's
Grand Classic
Ice Cream**
1.5 qt.

2/\$9

Save at least
\$6.48 on 2



Select Varieties
**Häagen-Dazs
Ice Cream**
28 oz.

\$7.99



**Häagen-Dazs
Vanilla Almond
Bars**
6 ct.

\$7.99

Select Varieties

**Marie Callender's
Frozen Entrées**
11.9 - 14 oz.

2/\$6

Save at least
\$3.48 on 2



Select Varieties
**Our Family
Frozen Vegetable Mixes**
12 - 14 oz.

2/\$4

Save at least
\$1.18 on 2



**Stouffer's
French Bread Pizza**
Pepperoni (11.75 oz.) or
Deluxe (12.75 oz.)

2/\$5

Save at least
\$3.78 on 2



Select Varieties
**Marie Callender's
Pot Pies**
15 oz.

2/\$6

Save at least
\$4.48 on 2



Select Varieties
**Kemp's
Ice Cream Bars**
4 ct.

2/\$7

Save at least
\$2.48 on 2



Select Varieties
**McCain
Potatoes**
14 - 22 oz.

\$3.99

Save at least
\$2.00 on 1



Select Varieties
**Hungry-Man
Frozen Dinners**
14.5 - 16 oz.

\$3.99

Save at least
\$1.00 on 1



health & beauty and general merchandise

Select Varieties
**Heath
Bird Food
Mixed Suet**
each

2/\$4



**Our Family
Wild Bird
Food**
5 lb.

\$4.99

**Simply Done
Batteries**
C or D (4 ct.), AA or
AAA (8 ct.) or 9V (2 ct.)

\$5.29



**Simply Done
AA or AAA
Batteries**
20 ct.

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**Simply Done
LED Light Bulbs**
A19 2700K DIM 60W
or A19 ND 60W
4 ct.

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**Simply Done
Invisible Tape**
1 ct.

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**TopCare
Pain Relief**
500 mg EZ, 100 ct.

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325 mg, 100 ct.

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**TopCare
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Nutrition Shake**
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or Strawberry, 6 ct.

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Nutrition Shake**
Vanilla or Milk Chocolate
6 ct.

\$8.99

**TopCare
Rapid Release
Pain Relief**
100 ct. gelcaps

\$8.19

Select Varieties
**TopCare
Pantiliners**
(40 ct.) or
Maxi Pads (16 - 24 ct.)

2/\$6



**O'Keefe's
Working
Hands**
2.7 oz. jar or
3 oz. tube

\$7.99



**Advil
Pain Relief**
50 ct. tablets
or caplets

\$8.49



Select Varieties

**Colgate
Oral Care**

360 Floss Tip Soft
Toothbrush (1 ct.),
Optic White
Toothpaste
(3.2 - 4.2 oz.) or
Pro-Release Plaque
Toothpaste (3 oz.)

\$6.99



**Tom's or Main
Toothpaste**
Luminous White
or Simply White
Clean Mint, 4 oz. ...

\$5.99



Select Varieties

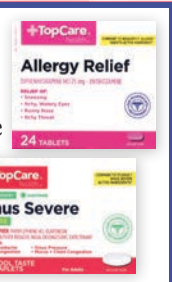
**Kotex
Liners**
(50 - 60 ct.),
Maxi Pads
(22 - 24 ct.) or
Ultra Thin Pads
(20 - 22 ct.)

2/\$7



Select Varieties
**TopCare
Allergy Relief
or Sinus Severe**
24 ct. tablets
or caplets

2/\$8



Select Varieties
**White Rain
Shampoo or
Conditioner**
Men's 3-in-1 or Regular
(15 oz.) or Kids 3-in-1 (12 oz.)

2/\$3



Select Varieties
**White Rain
Hair Products**
Volumizing Hair
Mousse (5 oz.) or Max
Hold Pump or Aerosol
Hair Spray (7 oz.)

\$1.69



Select Varieties
**Aussie
Hair Products**
Miracle Shampoo, Conditioner,
Detangling Spray Leave In
Moisturizer, Mousse, Anti Frizz
or Hair Spray, 5.7 - 16 oz.

\$4.99



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